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Frahm gets 13 years in jail

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Citing a statement from a mother whose daughter was a victim of former Marianas High School teacher David Matthew Frahm's conduct involving child pornography, U.S. District Court for the NMI Chief Judge Ramona V. Manglona said a 13-year sentence as well as strict conditions upon release is significant in setting Frahm straight. This, Manglona said, after breaching the trust given to him by parents who believed he, as a teacher, would serve as a second parent to their children.

» **Manglona: You breached the trust you were given**

Yesterday, Frahm appeared before Manglona for a sentencing here in the child pornography case where he pleaded guilty to two of three counts.

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The U.S. District Court for the NMI located along Middle Road in Gualo Rai.

Chamber elects new board of directors

RACQUEL FLOYD

The Saipan Chamber of Commerce announced the 2025-2026 board of directors after its general membership meeting yesterday at Kensington Hotel. They are Naked Fish Bar & Grill owner Joe Guerrero, third from left, Docomo Pacific senior consumer sales manager Nicole Babauta, fifth from left, Angil Design Inc president Ron Smith, sixth from left, and IT&E Government/Community Relations senior manager Janice Tenorio, third from right. Not in the photo is Bank of Saipan president and chief executive officer John Arroyo. Others in photo are current Chamber board members Alex Sablan of Tan Holdings, Brad Ruszala of NMI News Services, PHI Pharmacy's Joshua Wise, and IT&E's Velma Palacios.

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The Saipan Chamber of Commerce elected its 2025-2026 board of directors following its general membership meeting yesterday at the Queen's Hall of Kensington Hotel.

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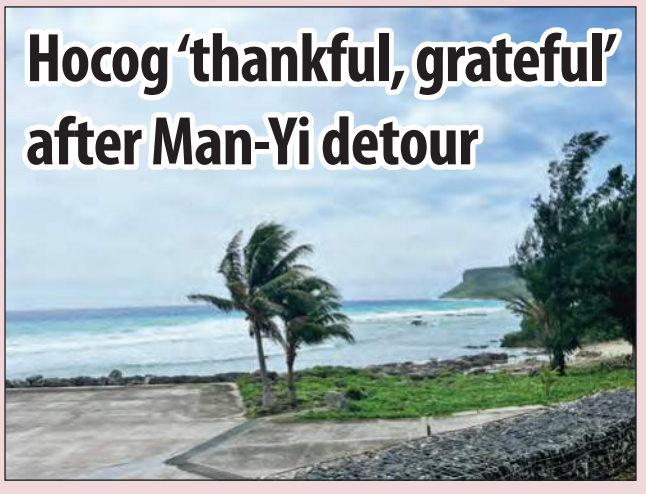

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Rota Mayor Aubry Hocog is thankful and grateful that Tropical Storm Man-Yi, which was initially expected to pass extremely close to the

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Cloudy skies and strong winds were experienced by Rota residents following the passage of Tropical Storm Man-Yi yesterday.

King-Hinds begins delegate boot camp

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Delegate-elect Kimberlyn King-Hinds has officially flown off to Washington, D.C to begin delegate boot camp where she will essentially be briefed on her role as the CNMI's newest champion in the US Congress.

Last Monday, King-Hinds

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Kimberlyn King-Hinds in a file photo during a 2024 general elections campaign sortie.

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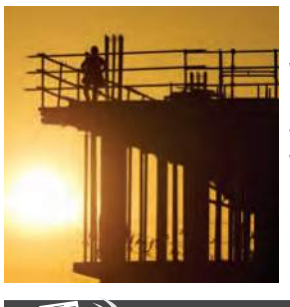

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Britain's Queen Camilla is set to return to public duties Tuesday after missing weekend events commemorating the nation's war dead because she was recovering from a chest infection.
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SHS brings low-cost spay and neuter clinic to Kagman

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In response to rising community demand, the Saipan Humane Society is currently hosting a low-cost spay and neuter clinic this week, aiming to provide essential services for pets across the island.

SHS shared to media partners that this initiative is possible through a partnership with The Parker Project, a nonprofit organization typically focused on veterinary care within the Navajo Nation. Seeing the critical need for affordable pet services here in the Commonwealth, they're eager to expand their mission to Saipan, and have already seen a great response with their Monday clinic alone accomplishing 48 surgeries.

According to a press release from SHS, Dr. Karter Neal, a veterinarian with The Parker Project, and a team of nine skilled professionals will conduct the clinic with SHS. SHS says the clinic is intended to meet the needs of both owned pets and community animals that do not have a traditional "owner" but are cared for by neighborhood members.

The clinic is taking place at the Kagman Community Center on Nov. 9, 11, 12, 13, and 14. The cost for the procedure is $40 for both dogs and cats, male and female. However, for pet owners facing financial challenges, SHS has set up a limited sponsorship program.

SHS shared that free surgeries are available for Kagman residents' pet cats and dogs and community-owned or friendly stray animals, as well as pet owner with 5+ dogs or cats that may need financial assistance. Those who fit these categories and are seeking to avail the opportunity are encouraged to reach out to the organization by emailing clinic@saipanhumanesociety.org or calling (670) 233-7387. Also, if needed, Boonie Babies have partnered up with SHS to make transportation possible, SHS said to just reach out to the Boonie Babies for info on that.

According to SHS, spaying and neutering community pets is key to reducing the population of homeless animals on the island and breaking the cycle of unwanted litters. Individuals who may want to get involved in helping community animals receive these services are encouraged to reach out to the organization for assistance with the process.

By making affordable spay and neuter services widely accessible, SHS and The Parker Project hope to create a healthier and more compassionate Saipan—one pet at a time.

4-day COMMEX 2024 to start today

The CNMI Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management in partnership with the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency is pleased to announce the 2024 Interoperable Communications Tabletop Exercise and Drill, scheduled for Nov. 14, 15, 19, and 20, 2024.

This four-day COMMEX 2024 exercise and related events will be held at Saipan World Resort, Garapan Central Park, and the Emergency Operations Center. COMMEX 2024 will bring emergency response teams and partners from local, state, federal, and non-governmental organizations to test communication capabilities and redundancies in the region.

A two-day discussion-based tech session with FirstNet will be held at Saipan World Resort on Nov. 14 and 15, 2024.

The tabletop exercise is focused on communication policies, procedures, plans, available assets, and capabilities used by regional agencies in response to a multi-jurisdiction incident held at Saipan World Resort on Nov. 19, 2024.

The tabletop discussion will cover the following:

■ Interoperable communications policies and procedures.

■ Alternate communication pathways that could be utilized if primary communication fails (PACE).

■ Continuity of operations during a communications failure.

The drill is to practice and become more familiar with the navigation and use of radio and data communications equipment associated with public safety operations in the CNMI held at Garapan Central Park on Nov. 20, 2024.

The drill will allow participants to:

■ Practice interoperable communications with CNMI, Guam, Federal responders, and private agency personnel.

■ Navigate radio systems and radio equipment in a controlled setting.

■ Practice implementing policies and procedures as they affect communication within a public safety incident.

Exercise participants are from all agencies and disciplines within the CNMI, and agencies that may provide mutual aid support during a major multi-jurisdictional weather-related incident in the CNMI.

For additional information, contact the CNMI Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management public information officer Bernard Villagomez at (670) 287-7106 or b.villagomez@cnmihsem.gov.mp. ***(PR)***

US Labor to hold apprenticeship resources webinar next week

U.S. Department of Labor Office of Apprenticeship will host an apprenticeship resources webinar for the Pacific Islands on Nov. 19. or 20

Abigail Allen, Office of Apprenticeship State director to the Pacific Islands of American Samoa, CNMI, Micronesia, Marshall Islands, and Palau, will facilitate the webinar.

All attendees must register in advance to attend this event. This webinar will go over what registered apprenticeship is, its benefits, and resources to help support programs. Allen encourages all learning institutions and employers with workforce issues to participate.

To register, click on the link https://events.gcc.teams.microsoft.com/event/f4474115-5143-4306-9f9e-c847be0db63f@75a63054-7204-4e0c-9126-adab-971d4aca.

For more information about the apprenticeship resources webinar for the Pacific Islands, email Allen at Allen.Abigail.L@dol.gov. ***(PR)***

SIS empowers educators through Singapore Math professional dev't

SIS

Saipan International School pre-kindergarten through 8th grade Math teachers recently took part in a comprehensive professional development workshop focused on Singapore Math.

To enhance mathematics instruction and improve student outcomes at Saipan International School, pre-kindergarten through 8th grade math teachers joined in for a comprehensive professional development workshop focused on Singapore Math.

SIS adopted this program three years ago. This innovative approach to teaching math has gained popularity for its effectiveness in developing critical thinking and problem-solving skills among young learners. It prepares the students to understand more complex math on a basic conceptual level. The program appears to be working well—SIS scored in the 82nd percentile in Mathematics in the nation, with 53% of its students scoring in the High range.

"At Saipan International School, our Singapore Math program teaches students to 'speak' the language of math," said Dr. Ron Snyder, SIS headmaster. "It is integrated into our literacy program, helping students build fluency in mathematical symbols, numbers, and equations, and empowering them to approach problems with the same confidence and clarity as they do in reading and writing."

The most recent workshop was led by Singapore Math expert, Cassandra Turner. This was the second professional development course attended by the math teachers at Saipan International School. They also attended the Singapore Math Teacher Institute professional development last year.

Teachers participated in hands-on activities designed to familiarize them with the techniques and tools of Singapore Math, including using bar models and number bonds. "I've seen huge improvements in my students' confidence and abilities since I started incorporating these methods into my teaching," shared Amie McRoberts, fourth grade teacher.

The workshop also addressed common challenges teachers face when implementing new curricula. Participants engaged in collaborative discussions, sharing strategies and solutions for effectively integrating Singapore Math into their classrooms. The teachers shared their enthusiasm about bringing new resources and approaches back to their students.

"Our goal is to promote a love for mathematics and develop strong foundational skills that will serve our students in the long term. Bar models are amazing!" said Pamela Walsh, second grade teacher. ***(Amie McRoberts)***

UFO Paskong Pinoy 2024 set for Dec. 8

UFO

The annual Paskong Pinoy celebration is a whole day of Christmas festivities open to members of the CNMI community.

The Paskong Pinoy 2024 will be held at the Marianas Business Plaza Parking Grounds in Susupe on Dec. 8, 2024 from 9am to 7pm. With this event, the United Filipino Organization aims to uplift the spirit of Christmas by providing a whole day of fun-filled activities that highlight the traditional Christmas celebration.

The annual Paskong Pinoy celebration is a whole day of Christmas festivities open to members of the CNMI community. The event will have simultaneous programs, presentations, entertainment, gift-giving, games, and raffle drawings. Local vendors will also sell food and non-food items. Christmas melodies will be played throughout the event for all guests to enjoy.

During the event, UFO will hold an on-the-spot Christmas Tree-making contest, with prizes of $200, $150, and $100 for first-, second-, and third-place winners, respectively. Participants need to register on or before Dec. 1, 2024.

There will also be an on-the-spot drawing contest for kids ages 5-8, with cash prizes of $30, $20, and $10 for the Top 3 winners. Registration will be at the event grounds.

UFO is selling a $1 raffle ticket with a $300 first prize, $200 second prize, $100 third prize, and a lot of consolation prizes at stakes.

Paskong Pinoy 2024's highlight will be "Kwarta o Kahon" contest with a grand prize of $500.

To register for the Christmas-making contest, you can call or WhatsApp Birhen Martinez at (670) 483-0915 or Yho Villavicencio at (670) 285-9017.

If you are interested in being one of the vendors, call or WhatsApp Edmin Elayda at (670) 989-0375 or Mildred Pabilando at (670) 785-0560.

If you are interested in performing, call or WhatsApp Annamae Adaza at (670) 285-4388 or Bayani president Yolly De Ramos at (670) 484-7836.

If you wish to be one of the sponsors, call or WhatsApp UFO president Birhen Martinez at (670) 483-0915, secretary Yho Villavicencio at (670) 285-9017, treasurer Noel Ordas at (670) 287-0327, and PRO Annamae Adaza at (670) 285-4388. For more details, follow the UFO Facebook: United Filipino Organization-CNMI. ***(PR)***

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INVITATION TO BID

NMTI-ITB 2025001
NORTHERN MARIANAS TECHNICAL INSTITUTE
WORKFORCE CAREER TRAINING FACILITY

The Northern Marianas Technical Institute (NMTech), located in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands is soliciting sealed bids for the construction of the Northern Marianas Technical Institute Workforce Training Facility. This project is being funded by the Northern Marianas Technical Institute Workforce Career Training Facility Construction Project from the U.S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration, EDA Project No. 07-79-07543.

This solicitation is in accordance with NMTech Procurement Regulations §3000-225. To also include provisions of NMTech Procurement Regulations, Section §3000-525 prohibiting kickbacks and gratuities, Section §3000-530 prohibition against contingent fees shall apply.

The project package will be available in digital format only on **Friday, November 1, 2024,** at the NMTech Procurement Office, located at Lower Base, Saipan. Monday through Friday from 8:30am-4:30pm only.

A **Pre-bid Conference** will be held at the Northern Marianas Technical Institute, Lower Base Campus, Saipan, CNMI at 4:00pm **ChST, November 8, 2024.**

All questions or inquiries regarding this ITB is to be submitted via email only to: procurement@nmtechcnmi.org, no later than **4:00pm ChST, November 15, 2024.** All questions and answers will be shared will all prospective bidders.

Bidders located outside of the CNMI must fill out and submit (via email only to procurement@nmtechcnmi.org) the Notice of Intent to Bid Form to the NMTech Procurement Officer no later than **9:30am ChST, December 03, 2024.**

Sealed bids for this project shall be submitted with one (1) original and four (4) copies to the NMTech Procurement Officer located at the NMTI campus, Lower Base, Saipan, MP-96950 no later than **10:00 am, local time, Chamorro Standard Time, December 03, 2024 and must be marked "NMTI-ITB 2025001"**

NMTech reserves the right to reject any and all bids, or portions thereof, and waive immaterial defects if to do so would be in the best interest of the Northern Marianas Technical Institute.

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/s/ Amy Lynn Babauta
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PUBLIC NOTICE
October 14, 2024

Due to an increased volume of Pre-Qualification application packets received to date; as well as, the limited level of funds and the lack of funds currently available, the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation (NMHC) is notifying the general public that it will **SUSPEND** accepting new applications for its Homeownership Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program effective immediately as of the date of this publication.

NMHC may resume accepting applications if, and when, funds for the program become available and reaches at an acceptable level for commitment.

Thank you and for more information, you may contact the NMHC Mortgage Division at (670) 234-6866/9447 or via email at nmhc@nmhc.gov.mp.

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NOTICE OF CRM PUBLIC HEARING

VISTA HOMES, LLC.
CONSTRUCTION OF 46-UNITS, TWO-STORY RESIDENTIAL DUPLEX APARTMENTS

The Division of Coastal Resources Management (DCRM) will be holding a public hearing for the following project:

CRM Major Siting Application No. SMS-2025-006 – The Vista Homes, LLC. is proposing to construct forty-six (46)-unit, two-story Residential Duplex Apartments with two (2) units per floor, four (4) units per apartment, parking spaces, and a playground area. The development is situated on the Tract No. 22551-R2, Dandan, Saipan.

The public hearing for this project is scheduled for December 10, 2024 at 5:00PM, at the DCRM Learning Center 3rd Floor, Suite 301, Gualo Rai Center, Middle Road, Lower Gualo Rai, Saipan.

To maintain the health and safety of all, virtual public participation is highly encouraged via video conferencing through Zoom link: https://zoom.us/j (Meeting ID: 6706648315). Our Zoom meeting access code may change, please call the DCRM Permitting Office at (670) 664-8300 for connection assistance at least one-day prior to the public hearing date.

If you are unable to attend, written comments can be submitted to the DCRM Permitting Office, Suite 305, Gualo Rai Center, Middle Road, Gualo Rai, Saipan, or mailed to the Division of Coastal Resources Management, P.O. Box 501304, or sent by fax at 664-8315, or by email at ssablan@dcrm.gov.mp. The project file is open for review and comments during regular business hours from 7:30 A.M. – 4:30 P.M., Monday through Friday. All written and oral comments received by DCRM will be included as part of the permit application records and will be considered in any decisions concerning the proposed project. Please contact Ms. Sam Sablan at the DCRM Permitting Office at 664-8300/1 if you have any questions or would like to learn more about the Vista Homes, LLC. Residential Duplex Apartments Project

/s/ Agnes M. Sablan
Acting Director
Division of Coastal Resources Management

CHAMBER

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immediate past president Velma Palacios after the voting, in no particular order, are Angil Design, Inc. president Ron Smith, IT&E Government/Community Relations senior manager Janice Tenorio, Naked Fish Bar & Grill owner and Transcend Consulting's Joe Guerrero, Bank of Saipan president and chief executive officer John Arroyo, and Docomo Pacific senior consumer sales manager Nicole Babauta.

Chamber members cast their votes during and after the welcome remarks of Chamber president Joe Guerrero, the voting was officially closed, and the new board of directors was announced after the meeting.

The meeting also adopted the by-laws that were presented through emails.

Meanwhile, Shawna Babauta, Communications and Membership manager at Marianas Alliance of Non-Governmental Organization, presented a comprehensive overview of MANGO's impactful work within the community that emphasized the critical role of non-profit organizations in supporting the region.

Babauta discussed MANGO's mission which is to nurture the nonprofit community in the CNMI for sustainability by facilitating their growth through guidance, training, and services. Its vision is to have a strong, stable nonprofit sector providing services to the CNMI, increasing overall community health and well-being.

She also presented the services of MANGO which includes providing guidance on paperwork and guidance on paperwork and training for boards of nonprofit organizations. They also offer sustainability planning, strategic planning, and financial management services to nonprofits.

Other services that MANGO provides are accounting services to support clients and organizational resource needs analysis to help non-profits. She also announced that their notary service is free for their members.

Babauta also discussed the Lemmai-Mei Incubator project that was funded in 2020, a three-year project that involves a group of nonprofits. It's focused on increasing opportunities for state planning and initiatives.

She further discussed that nonprofit and tax-exempt are interchangeable as she discussed today's six characteristics which are—formal organizations, nonprofit distributing, self-governing, private, voluntary, and operating for public benefit.

The MANGO official also discussed the history of nonprofits, sharing that non-profits existed in the Elizabethan era, with the term "charitable" first used in 1601. Their activities included caring for the sick, maintaining public works, and providing education. Prisons, then called "houses of corrections," were considered charitable institutions.

Furthermore, she mentioned that nonprofit employment is the third-largest workforce in the U.S., following retail and manufacturing, representing approximately 12.5 million jobs, or about 10% of the private workforce.

She further discussed giving voice to nonprofits through gathering nonprofit data, building data management options, and training curriculum for data management.

The data sets with employment statistics, revenue and funding sources, program expenditures, economic output, and sustainable development goals,

Babauta explained that nonprofit data will help inform decision-making, improve funding opportunities, enhance collaboration and advocacy, build community trust and engagement, and for sustainable development and self-reliance.

The UN's 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, which was adopted in 2015 includes 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) and those are No Poverty, Zero Hunger, Quality Education, Gender Equality, Affordable and Clean Energy, Decent Work, and Economic Growth, Industry, Innovation, and Infrastructure, Reduced Inequalities, Sustainable Cities and Communities, Responsible Consumption and Production, Climate Action, Life Below Water, Life on Land, Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions, and Partnerships for the Goals.

The Sustainable Development Goals were created to address global challenges like poverty, inequality, and climate change.

KING-HINDS

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left for the U.S. capital after having had visited the islands of Rota and Tinian where she expressed her gratitude for their support during the general elections held last Nov. 5.

King-Hinds will be in Washington, D.C. from Nov. 12 to 22.

In a video-post to social media last Monday, King-Hinds acknowledged all veterans who fought for America and expressed that it is their service that inspires her to do the same and begin the fight for a better CNMI.

"Today I leave to attend U.S. Congress bootcamp and I leave today to begin the work of advocating for all of us. To all veterans, just as you went out to fight for all of us and our freedom, today's very special because I get to leave, to learn, and begin the process of fighting for you and becoming your champion. I know it's going to be hard because the problems aren't only here in the CNMI but across all rural communities in America, but as you were willing to give it your all, I am willing to give it my all. Thank you, and I love you all," she said.

In a previous interview with King-Hinds, when asked about her priorities, King-Hinds said as CNMI delegate, she will be taking a three-pronged approach to address the CNMI's issues.

"The first is to restore the tourism industry, the second is to immediately work on the CW-1 situation which is about to end here in 2029, and three work on trying to improve the cost of living by addressing the utilities issue," she said.

King-Hinds adds that separate from that she would like to be the type of delegate that consistently engages community stakeholders.

"After things get a little bit settled down, I want to just start reaching out to different stakeholders in the community to sit down and have a conversation about where gaps are, where are areas of opportunities, and work out a plan where we're not duplicating resources or manpower and just strategizing on how to bring a whole of government approach to some of these health and human services issues that is impacting our community," she said.

King-Hinds shared that her work as delegate has already begun.

"I've had several federal officials call so I had to return those calls and just begin that dialogue and conversation. So, the work is starting now in terms of reaching out to our federal partners and having these conversations about what the priorities are. The governor also reached out and gave his congratulations and I told him that we're going to have to sit down to discuss what his priorities are and how this position can assist for him to be able to accomplish some of those priorities and to also assist with the follow-ups for the 902 consultation and make sure that that stays as a hot topic agenda item that needs to be addressed because I do believe that those are very critical issues that that need to be addressed. We all work for the people. We have to put politics aside and I'm reaching across the all the aisles to be able to have those conversations," she said.

FRAHM

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All the while his hearing took place, Frahm maintained a somber almost emotionless look on his face and when asked if he would like to address the court or the mother of his victim who was present via video call, he declined.

During the hearing, Manglona sentenced Frahm to an imprisonment term of 156 months or 13 years. In addition, Manglona gave Frahm credit for time served of five months and eight days.

Specifically, for Count 2, possession of child pornography, Frahm was sentenced to 121 months' imprisonment term. As for Count 3, engaging in illicit sexual conduct in foreign places, he was sentenced to 156 months' imprisonment. The sentences will run concurrently with one another.

Meanwhile, Manglona imposed a strict probationary period of five years following Frahm's release from prison on top of requirements like having to register as a sex offender for 15 years after his release and to stay away from children and places where there may be children below the age of 18.

"I want to make sure you follow this condition; you're not allowed within 1,000 feet of children under the age of 18 which includes secondary and primary schools, playgrounds, parks, shopping centers, daycare, recreation centers, arcades, etc. I point this out because argued by the government in their sentencing memorandum, it appears you are a talented man. You managed to get a college education, two masters, mastered piano, so you had the opportunity to influence a lot of students that you had. You have lost that privilege," she said.

"As the mother of the victim said, you breached that trust that she gave you back in Malaysia with her daughter [especially since] communities [see] teachers as second parents to their children," she added.

Manglona said that Frahm's saving grace in Malysia was that he recognized the wrongness in his conduct.

"In your own words, you made a mistake, you knew what you did was wrong, and you even stated that you tried to self-isolate yourself under the guise of COVID to try and get yourself right. That's an internal reflection but that's after an injury was inflicted," she said.

Manglona said if there is any way for Frahm to overcome his issues and get himself right would be by imposing this sentence and requirements upon release on him.

"It is my concern, the first incident, at least what was being investigated here in Saipan, was in 2019. Then you fled the United States jurisdiction (and I use the word fled because a special agent went looking for you in 2019 and was trying to find you through your passport but couldn't until something popped up years later). So, I have concern about your ability to, in fact, as you described it, 'get myself right' and for that reason I do believe that the requirement is significant as I do hope this will in fact protect any possible future victims at your hands because you're obviously having difficulty controlling yourself," she said.

Aside from his sentence, Manglona granted the defense's request to recommend that Frahm serve his sentence near his parents' home in Henderson, Nevada.

Meanwhile, Manglona has set a restitution hearing for Dec. 19 at 9am to give the victims an opportunity to file claims against Frahm.

HOCOG

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island of Rota, veered south and the island escaped relatively unscathed.

"The power is okay, no flooding, weather looks good," she told *Saipan Tribune* yesterday morning. Hocog shared that they had been expecting an "all clear" status that afternoon. As to shelters, she shared, "We had a few calls made to our shelter to inquire information but no checked in clients."

Hocog shared that overall, she was thankful, "We are so grateful the tropical storm did not escalate and so thankful it will be leaving our island sparing any damage to our island or harm to our people." She added, "I thank our people for their responsiveness to prepare, and thank all our responders for doing their part to help, preparing to respond if needed. I also want to thank those who worked at the shelter, in case, we had any families seeking shelter."

Hocog also thanked Gov. Arnold I. Palacios, Lt. Gov. David M. Apatang, CNMI Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, and National Weather Service for their reports as well as all CNMI departments and agencies for their support and guidance.

There was a power outage on Rota yesterday but not due to damage from the storm, according to the Commonwealth Utilities Corp.

Following the westward movement of Tropical Storm 25W (Manyi), at 10:30am yesterday the U.S. Coast Guard Captain of the Port reset the Port Heavy Weather Condition (PHWC) to WHISKEY for Commonwealth ports, and around 1pm did the same for Guam.

In a press release, Cmdr. Ryan Crose, deputy sector commander, U.S. Coast Guard Forces Micronesia/Sector Guam, shared "We thank our maritime partners for prioritizing safety. We anticipate vessel traffic and cargo operations in the ports to resume later today." He added, "Our assessment teams are working rapidly to survey infrastructure and ensure safeguards are in place so we can officially reopen the commercial ports. Our regular operations are returning to normal, and the mission support team members under Base Guam and sub-units are assessing our facilities for any additional impacts."

According to the report, as of yesterday, COTP's team and partners were still closely monitoring awaiting commercial traffic, including tankers and cargo vessels loaded with freight. Personnel at regional port facilities report no damage or issues.

The U.S. Coast Guard stated that they continue to advise caution as Tropical Storm Man-Yi moves westward away from the Marianas. Although the immediate threat passed, Guam and Rota remain under a Tropical Storm Warning. A high surf and small craft advisory are in effect through Thursday, and a rip current statement will be active through Wednesday evening.

As of 2pm yesterday, HSEM issued a update that Tropical Storm Man-Yi, which had been tracking west-southwest yesterday, no longer poses a threat to the Marianas.

Gov. Arnold I. Palacios and CNMI HSEM Emergency Operations Center-State Warning Point issued an "all clear" for Rota and shared that storm warnings for Guam and Rota have been canceled. Strong gusts, however, were said may persist in some areas through the afternoon, according to the latest update from the Emergency Operations Center-State Warning Point

As of 1pm CHST on Nov. 13, Man-Yi was positioned about 150 miles west-southwest of Guam, 200 miles southwest of Rota, and approximately 265 miles southwest of Saipan, with maximum sustained winds of 50 mph. Moving at 18 mph, the storm is expected to veer slightly westward with a minor decrease in speed through Thursday. Forecasters anticipated some intensification, but the tropical storm's trajectory will eventually takes it farther from the Marianas.

While Man-Yi no longer poses a direct threat, residents are advised to monitor weather forecasts and alerts through local media and NOAA broadcasts.

For further information, the CNMI Emergency Operations Center-State Warning Point remains available around the clock at (670) 237-8000 or (670) 664-8000.

Docomo Pacific supports Relay For Life of Guam 2024

TAMUNING, Guam—Docomo Pacific, the regional leader in innovation, telecommunications, and entertainment, supports the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life of Guam 2024 event.

For years, Relay For Life of Guam has remained one of the island's most significant events. It brings our community together to honor every life touched by cancer—a loved one lost, someone currently battling, or anyone who has overcome cancer. This year's theme is "Colors of Hope." It is based on collecting pieces of fabric from survivors, participants, teams, etc., and will be made into a quilt.

Docomo Pacific is proud to continue supporting the Relay For Life of Guam.

The funds raised not only honor survivors and remember loved ones but also provides free services that cancer patients and caregivers rely on. This year's event will take place at the University of Guam's Calvo Field House from 3pm to 9pm.

"Relay For Life of Guam has been one of the largest community fundraising events in Guam for many years. Year after year, Relay For Life of Guam has not only brought together the island of Guam for a common mission to end cancer as we know it, but also showing the enormous giving hearts of the people of Guam," said Ed Lee, Business Development manager, American Cancer Society.

American Cancer Society is a nationwide voluntary health organization dedicated toward the fight against cancer. For more information on the Relay For Life 2024 events in Guam, visit their website at www.relayforlife.org/guamgu or call their Guam office at (671) 477-9451.

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Supreme Court of Guam resolves petition regarding Guam Bar Association bylaws

The Supreme Court of Guam issued an opinion resolving a petition filed by members of the Guam Bar Association in the case of *In re* Guam Bar Association, 2024 Guam 5. The petitioners asked the Supreme Court to modify or overrule five of the 31 amendments to the GBA bylaws passed by a majority of GBA members at a special election.

The five amendments petitioners challenged were Amendments 1 and 3, which would create a new membership class in the GBA; Amendment 6, which would add residency and durational requirements for individuals serving in GBA Board positions; Amendment 7, which would change how GBA financial statements are prepared; and Amendment 12, which would adopt a finality rule for GBA elections. The Supreme Court approved Amendment 6, modified Amendment 7, and disapproved Amendments 1, 3, and 12.

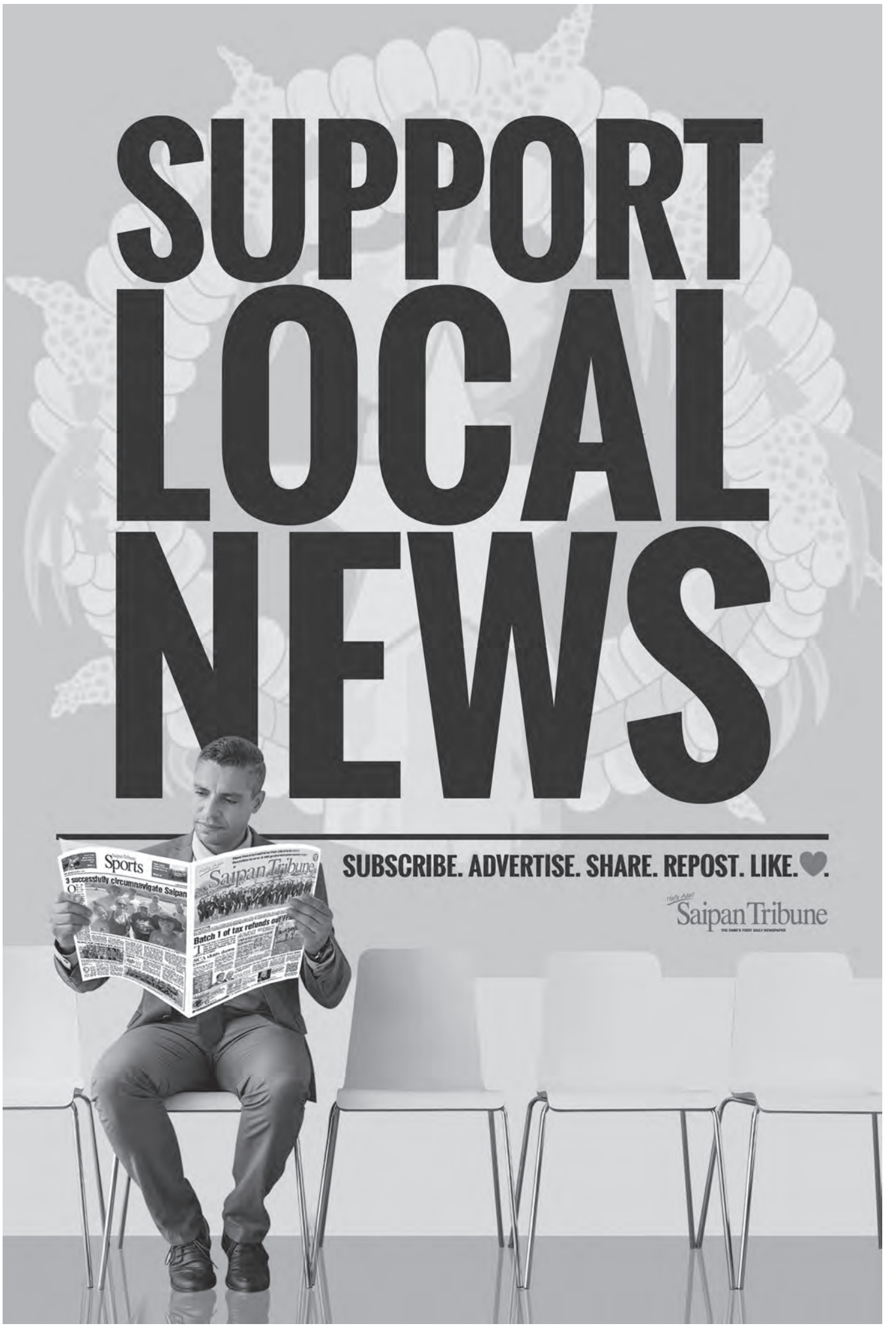
The court reiterated that there were no procedural flaws in the special election that would require it to overrule the results and that the uncontested amendments had been approved. The court then turned to the amendments it had not previously addressed. Amendment 1 would have created a new class of membership for temporary active attorneys within the GBA. The court this amendment, finding it was inconsistent with the GBA Rules because it "would create a third class of membership within the GBA of temporary active attorneys who would not have the same privileges as active members." The Supreme Court also disapproved Amendment 3, concluding it was inconsistent with the GBA Rules because it "would continue to allow 'temporary active' members to count toward a quorum at a meeting but strip them of all other privileges."

The Supreme Court approved Amendment 6, which adds a Guam residency requirement for all candidates for GBA board office and would specifically require that candidates for board president be active members of the Guam bar for a minimum of five years prior to nomination. The court concluded that Amendment 6 does not impact the constitutional right to travel, and because it is not inconsistent with the GBA Rules, Amendment 6 was approved. The court also approved, with modification, Amendment 7 regarding preparation of GBA financial statements.

Amendment 7 allows the GBA's yearly financial statement to be prepared by a non-CPA if a CPA supervises the preparation. The court amended the language of Amendment 7 to clarify that the preparation of financial statements must be supervised by an independent CPA.

Finally, the Supreme Court disapproved Amendment 12, which the petitioners argued would create a "finality rule" for all elections other than those for the GBA Board of Governors. The GBA board claimed the amendment did not impose a finality rule or take any power of oversight away from the Supreme Court, and argued the amendment applied only to recounts. The court concluded that the language of Amendment 12 was not plainly limited to recounts because the amended language "All other elections other than the results for election to the board of governors shall be final and not subject to further challenge" appeared applicable to all elections other than for board positions. The court observed that the language in Amendment 12 seemed to undermine the Supreme Court's authority to review changes to the bylaws, which would be inconsistent with GBA Rules and the court's inherent power to govern the practice of law in Guam. The court disapproved Amendment 12, concluding it was ambiguous and not plainly limited to recounts.

For more information, contact Sarah Elmore-Hernandez at sehernandez@guamcourts.gov. ***(PR)***



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Abortion access wins: Reproductive rights keep triumphing at the ballot box

As the dust settles on the election, the pro-choice majority of Americans have spoken. Voters in New York, despite a swing towards Donald Trump, overwhelmingly approved ballot Proposal 1, enshrining in the state Constitution a right to exercise reproductive freedoms, despite somewhat being vaguely worded and confusing.

While the state already had relatively strong abortion protections, it's always better to have rights enunciated in the foundational document. Albany Democrats fumbled in not making the abortion aspects of this ballot proposal explicit—it does not actually say the word "abortion" anywhere—but we trust that the language remains clear enough that the courts will understand that it means abortion.

New York wasn't the only state where abortion rights won majority support from the public. Majorities also in Florida, Montana, Nevada, Arizona, Colorado, Missouri and Maryland supported proposals to enshrine or expand abortion access in those states. The Florida measure scored 57% at the polls, but needed to reach the 60% threshold to be adopted in the state constitution, so it did not succeed. However the amendment received 6 million votes, 1.5 million more than the NO side, so the sentiments of Floridians is clear.

There's some examination to be done here about why exactly so many voters seem to have split their tickets between a vote for abortion access and a presidential candidate who credibly took single-handed responsibility for having created the conditions for the end of a nationwide abortion right.

Perhaps some believed Trump's mealy-mouthed assertion that he'd veto a national abortion ban, coming from a man who lies about things big and small at an astonishing clip. Others are likely to have never heard of or internalized Trump's role in the overturning of Roe.

So time and again we know that voters will come out to defend abortion rights, even if they don't necessarily grasp what led to the need for these rights to be defended in such a manner. This will be a challenge for pro-choice candidates going forward, who have run into a wall trying to convince voters that electing anti-choice candidates will have as much potential impact on their rights as voting against pro-choice ballot amendments.

Even in this fractured information environment, Trump and GOP his fresh Senate majority should keep this in mind as they embark on their agenda next year. Voters by and large hate abortion restrictions and they will not be able to pretend that these are Democrats' fault somehow when they control the bulk of the federal government.

When the U.S. Supreme Court overrode Roe in 2022 and sent abortion back to the states, some state legislatures enacted bans. Now the public is being heard and they are overriding the lawmakers.

Moving to restrict or ban abortion is one of the few political third rails that might actually successfully stick to the famously slippery Trump, who has otherwise been adept at squirming out of responsibility for his acts. The damage from the Dobbs decision, taken over the finish line by Trump's Supreme Court picks, is done now. Do not press the unpopular issue.

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Will Trump launch a reign of terror against his list of enemies? There's little to stop him

By HARRY LITMAN
Los Angeles Times

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During his ultimately victorious campaign for the presidency, Donald Trump made no bones about his intention to use the legal levers of government to go after his perceived enemies. When he takes office in January, we should therefore expect him to launch a reign of terror against dozens of people he sees as having crossed him. And his vengeance will be enabled by the Supreme Court opinion granting presidents broad immunity from prosecution.

A recent National Public Radio analysis determined that Trump has threatened more than 100 federal investigations or prosecutions to settle scores. They run the gamut from President Joe Biden and his family, whom the president-elect has promised to pay back on Day 1 of his tenure by appointing a special prosecutor to investigate unspecified crimes; to former Rep. Liz Cheney, whom he recently suggested should face something like a firing squad; to judges involved in his prosecutions; and journalists who refuse to give up their sources.

Granted, Trump frequently gives the impression that he has little understanding of or even interest in many of the policies he pressed on the campaign trail. But retribution against his enemies is clearly something that gets him up in the morning. From well before his entry into politics, Trump has been single-minded in intimidating and exacting retribution against his opponents.

A passage from one of his tacky books that was read into evidence at his New York criminal trial declares, "My motto is: Always get even. When somebody screws you, screw them back in spades."

Trump is in this respect not unique in the annals of the American presidency. The desire to "screw" one's enemies, a hallmark of the insecure leader, is the impulse that brought down Richard Nixon. Watergate originally sprang from Nixon's vendetta against Daniel Ellsberg, whom he was determined to embarrass for exposing the Pentagon Papers.

In the wake of Nixon's abuses, the country put in place a series of laws, regulations and norms designed to prevent government by vengeance. These included a prohibition on White House meddling in Justice Department prosecutions that took on canonical status.

I was a Justice official at the beginning of what became the Whitewater scandal, and it would have been unthinkable at the time for a White House official to try to direct the department to investigate a political enemy. No administration would have dared, and no department official would have acquiesced.

Since Watergate, the only administration that failed to fully respect that principle was Trump's. His political appointees repeatedly pushed the department to at least provide information about continuing prosecutions. In those difficult years, the department sometimes resisted but sometimes relented. Biden's attorney general, Merrick Garland, made it a priority to rebuild the wall between the White House and the Justice Department.

Trump has made it clear that he intends to raze that wall in his first days in office. Working off the blueprint of Project 2025, Trump has announced that he plans to hollow out the department's career staff and replace them with political appointees who will serve at his pleasure and be loyal to him, not the Constitution.

At that point, there will be no real impediment to the use of federal power for revenge against Trump's long list of enemies. It will be the opposite of the department's proud aspiration to do "justice without fear or favor."

Moreover, Trump has said he will rely on the Supreme Court's immunity opinion to provide full cover against any legal resistance. When asked recently how he would handle special counsel Jack Smith, who led his two federal prosecutions, Trump replied, "It's so easy—I would fire him within two seconds," adding that he would enjoy "immunity at the Supreme Court."

The irony and tragedy of Trump's invocation of the opinion is that the court declared it was ruling not for Trump but "for the ages." But it is indeed Trump whose unscrupulous ambition it has served. And while the court reasoned that immunity is needed to safeguard aggressive, nimble and presumably lawful presidential action, Trump takes the lesson that he can violate the Constitution with impunity.

The corrupt use of prosecutorial power can amount to a crime. For starters, the federal code criminalizes conspiring to injure any person because of their exercise of constitutional rights or their race. But the Supreme Court has ensured that Trump could carry out unlawful prosecutions: He can commit crimes but can't be made to answer for them.

Trump's retribution agenda may encounter other roadblocks. Grand juries may not go along with prosecutions that reek of vengeance, and trial juries and judges are more likely to resist.

Also, presidential immunity doesn't extend to other executive branch officials, and Trump will need confederates in the Justice Department to do his bidding. But with a clear Republican majority in the Senate, Trump is likely to get any senior official he wants confirmed. That could include the likes of the right-wing activist and attorney general hopeful Mike Davis, who wrote Wednesday of Trump's opponents, "I want to drag their dead

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Why Trump, a liar, seems honest to his supporters

By F.D. FLAM
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On the eve of Election Day, anthropology professor Alexander Hinton talked to me from a Trump rally, where he was already convinced the Republican candidate would win. He'd been observing the MAGA movement in a professional capacity, attending more Trump rallies than he can count, and he says Donald Trump's supporters display an unusual fervor for their candidate. "He knows how to choreograph a show."

Hinton's prediction was based on Trump's abilities as an entertainer and the way he's inspired faith that he can lower the price of a cup of coffee and fatten Americans' pocketbooks.

Some of the faith in the new president-elect and his economic promises comes from a sense that he "tells it like it is"—that he speaks with blunt honesty, even as he insists he won the 2020 election and propagates numerous other fictions. This paradox has confused pundits, pollsters and other observers since Trump's rise to political prominence over a decade ago. That he even got a chance to run for president a third time—despite losing in 2020 and despite many of his hand-picked candidates losing in 2022—raises questions about our vulnerability to cults of personality.

Most of what passes for "telling it like it is" comes down to Trump making completely subjective judgments with a tone of certainty—that some of his enemies are "losers" or "morons" or "low IQ" or that one of his rivals somehow has a face that's not fit for office. Some might call this brutal honesty, but there's nothing honest about it. The Week Magazine calls it "maniacal overconfidence" which "sounds to some people like forthrightness." In that sense, he is telling it like it is—in his own self-serving head.

"The issue with narcissists is the difference between truth and falsehood has no meaning," says University of Chicago behavioral scientist Dario Maestripieri. They only care about what helps them. And Trump's narcissism makes him charismatic, he said.

The certitude can make Trump sound like he's in the know. And some enjoy the insults hurled at other people—a part of the show that can be entertaining, and also flattering, since there's an implication that Trump's supporters aren't among the morons. And focusing on categories of people such as undocumented immigrants gives some people a target on which to blame their own problems. That particular group also inspired outrage among immigrants who went through all the hurdles to enter the U.S. legally.

New York Times columnist Ezra Klein had a slightly different slant recently, focusing on what he calls Trump's disinhibition—a sometimes magnetic disregard for what people might think. Consider, wrote Klein, Trump's strange behavior during a rally in the Philadelphia suburbs, when he stopped a question session and played music for more than 30 minutes.

That same unusual self-assurance was on display in Trump's appearance on Joe Rogan's podcast. After watching the entire three-hour interview, I didn't once witness Trump delivering the kind of refreshing honesty associated with the phrase "tell it like it is," but he didn't tell many clear-cut lies either. In fact, he usually didn't finish a thought. Instead, he rambled and bloviated, and bragged.

When asked what it was like to move into the White House in 2016, he mentioned the Lincoln Bedroom—then expounded, as a tour guide might, about the items in the room and the personal lives of members of the Lincoln family. He also talked with bold confidence about climate, nuclear power and wind power, before going on a confusing diversion about how central California was once covered by a giant lake.

For a three-hour interview, it was weirdly uninformative—but people I know who get their news from Rogan's podcast say they only consume it passively while doing other things, or they see snippets later. That represents a radical change in the way people consume media. With people half tuned in, Trump's ability to speak with confidence about so many topics might look impressive—if you're not listening too closely, he might sound knowledgeable.

When he speaks, Trump is often cryptic, or vague, issuing his subjective views as if they were facts. When he does speak in clear, declarative sentences, he tends to get ridiculed—as happened in the presidential debate against Kamala Harris when he said that immigrants were eating cats and dogs.

More often, he resorts to innuendo and hints of secret knowledge—about election fraud, foreign leaders or the origin of the COVID pandemic. For example, when Joe Rogan pressed him for a real answer on whether he really believed 2020 was stolen, he first said something unintelligible, then argued election fraud is possible in theory. Rogan later endorsed him.

Trump won with surprising decisiveness, despite his evasiveness and failure to justify his extraordinary claims. It's tempting to conclude that we live in some kind of post-truth society. Perhaps, instead, we live in a society obsessed with the truth, but we've lost our appreciation for explanatory depth and different perspectives. At the same time, we're just as persuaded by a speaker's confidence as ever.

Angus Fletcher, an Ohio State University English professor with a background in neuroscience, said people hearing just one side of a story report high confidence in their knowledge. Once they get another perspective, their confidence goes down. "A lot of disagreements can be solved just by filling in the missing pieces of information."

Issues such as immigration look different from various angles—from the perspective of a refugee in need of a home, a teacher struggling to reach students who can't speak English, and local people trying to accommodate the newcomers. "A narrative has different sides to it," he said, "as opposed to a math problem, which has only one answer."

Envisioning reality from various perspectives takes time—the kind of time some used to devote to reading entire newspaper stories or even a book, he said. "These are skills people are losing," as they get more news from social media, short videos and long, one-sided podcasts.

Hinton, the anthropologist, predicts the MAGA movement will dissipate once Trump leaves office because nobody else matches his ability to persuade and entertain. In the meantime, regaining the ability to look at the world through different perspectives might not make America unified again, but it could at least help us break free of cults of personality and start to understand each other.

What did the Asian American vote this year tell us?

Bu JAMES ZARSADIAZ
Los Angeles Times

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The 2024 election results make clear: The Asian American electorate has shifted further right. The trend portends a new future for this voting bloc that bodes well for the Republican Party. And it has been brewing for years.

Asian Americans did back Kamala Harris, who received 54% of their vote, according to Edison Research exit polls conducted with a consortium of news organizations. Yet the 39% who supported Donald Trump—despite Harris' South Asian background and efforts to solicit voters of color—reflect the decline of the Democratic Party's grip on Asian American voters. In 2020, Joe Biden received 61% of the Asian American vote compared with Trump's 34%. Four years prior, Hillary Clinton received 65% compared with Trump's 27%. Since 2016, Trump has managed to pull more Asian American voters to his side. This statistical trend indicates that the nine-year phenomenon of Trumpism is climbing. But something bigger and with a longer history is happening too.

To be sure, the 2024 polls suggest that like other demographic groups, Asian Americans were chiefly concerned about the economy. And for some, pocketbook issues such as inflation, gasoline prices and other day-to-day expenses took priority over Trump's scandals, JD Vance's gaffes and the GOP's longtime differences with Asian American voters on issues including education and health care. According to AAPI Data, a research project based at UC Berkeley, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders comprise 3% to 12% of the electorate in Arizona, Georgia, Nevada, North Carolina and Pennsylvania. Voters cited the economy as their top issue in these battleground states; Trump won them all.

Moreover, Republican operatives and conservative media have argued that undocumented immigrants threaten safety and eat up resources reserved for citizens, thus explaining why Americans, including middle- and working-class Asian Americans, live paycheck to paycheck. (Studies show that immigrants commit less crime than native-born Americans and that the undocumented pay billions in taxes every year.) Some Asian immigrants and refugees in particular feel they settled in the U.S. the "correct" way. Conservative messaging helps convince them that undocumented individuals sully the dignity of the legal pathways to citizenship that they took.

Culture wars are also worth consideration. For religious people of color including Latino Christians, Filipino and Vietnamese Catholics, and Chinese and Korean evangelicals, Democrats' positions on abortion and gender identity are contrary to their churches' views. Finally, Democrats have lost their credibility as advocates for the working class—a critique that has been coming from the left since Bernie Sanders popularized democratic socialism. Pundits and strategists alike have acknowledged that the Democratic Party is now perceived as the party of highly educated elites, A-list celebrities and wealthy cosmopolitans culturally out of step with everyday Americans.

For Asian immigrants who came here to chase the American dream, the GOP's unabashed nationalism à la "America First" (or "Make America Great Again") has appealed to families who embrace the traditionalism of a real or imagined yesteryear. That traditionalism may also play to colorism, racism or a tacit approval of white supremacy within segments of the Asian American Pacific Islander community.

Beyond national politics, in reliably blue California this week, the left was shocked to see voters reject propositions to increase the minimum wage and expand access to rent control. Asian Americans in the state have been especially vocal about backing Proposition 36, which would result in harsher criminal penalties. It passed. And in the Democratic bastion of San Francisco, the top contenders in the battle for mayor were solid moderates. Daniel Lurie won, but both he and incumbent London Breed campaigned to Asian Americans, particularly a large Chinese American community, as pro-business and tough on crime and have distanced themselves from "woke" politics, which have largely hurt progressives. Similar trends have occurred in California at large and in New York.

While it appears that liberalism has stopped resonating with Asian American voters the way it once did, this is not a one-off shift. In 1992 and 1996, among the earliest polls for which Asian American voters were a large enough group to survey, they backed the Republican candidate for president. Al Gore broke that trend in 2000.

Even though GOP enthusiasm dwindled, it didn't go away. Rather, it stayed steady and quiet—until 2008. The emergence of a new Asian American right arguably began with the successful mobilization of Chinese evangelicals backing Proposition 8 in California to ban same-sex marriage—a right now protected federally by Obergefell vs. Hodges and in the state by this year's passage of Prop 3 (one victory for the left, on a social issue). This energy continued with the multiple affirmative action court cases in the 2010s and 2020s. Since then, Asian American conservatism has continued to grow, including among those who don't call themselves Republicans.

It is too soon to determine whether 2024 is indicative of a full or long-lasting political realignment. What is clear, however, is that the Republican Party is broadening its base to include more Latino men, younger white males, people without college degrees and eligible voters who rarely vote. If the trend lines continue as they have since 2016, Asian Americans could join that coalition. It depends considerably on how long Trump and the GOP can keep this momentum.

TERROR

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political bodies through the streets, burn them, and throw them off the wall. (Legally, politically, and financially, of course.)"

As a practical matter, by far the most important protections against vengeful prosecutions are career federal prosecutors' nonpartisan professionalism and the norms forbidding the White House from telling them whom to prosecute. Trump is plainly fixing to lay waste to those safeguards. That alone would constitute a giant step away from the rule of law and toward autocracy.

The Weather

5-DAY FORECAST FOR SAIPAN AND TINIAN

TODAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
Scattered showers. Partly sunny. East wind around 16 mph, with gusts as high as 23 mph. Chance of precipitation is 30%.	A 30 percent chance of showers. Partly sunny. East wind 14 to 17 mph, with gusts as high as 23 mph.	Mostly sunny	Mostly sunny	Mostly sunny
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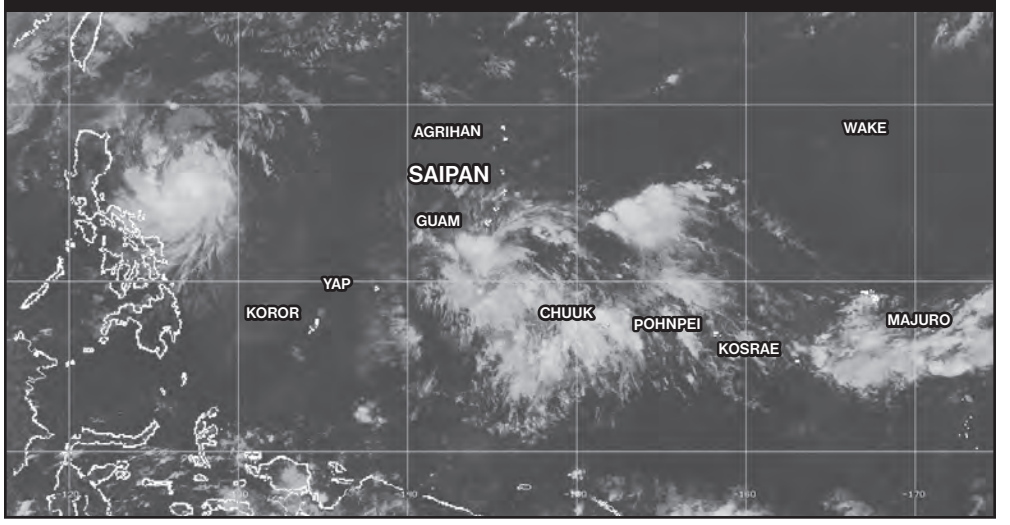

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Western North Pacific between equator and 25N from 130E to 180.

Tropical Storm Man-yi is a fairly compact system and already moving across the southern Guam waters this morning, a little earlier and faster than previously forecast. Ipan buoy just reported seas of 11 to 15 feet with max waves to 21 feet. Ritidian buoy shows combined seas running near 14 feet with max waves to 23 feet. Saipan buoy reports have not been so severe, but Saipan airport reported gusts to 37 kt last night; Guam airport recently reported a gust of 42 kt. As the day progresses the forecasts will need freshening for improving weather, especially if Man-yi continues to move quickly toward the west-southwest away from the Marianas.

Satellite image and accompanying information are provided by the National Weather Service. For an updated weather forecast, visit the National Weather Service Guam homepage: https://www.weather.gov/gum/

MICRONESIA	▲ ▼ °F	
Guam and Rota	Fair/Wind	86° / 79°
Palau	Partly Cloudy	84° / 78°
Yap	Partly Cloudy	84° / 79°
Chuuk	Mostly Cloudy	87° / 80°
Pohnpei	Mostly Cloudy	86° / 78°
Kosrae	Mostly Cloudy	86° / 78°
Majuro	Mostly Cloudy	85° / 80°

DAY	SUNRISE	SUNSET
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Saturday	6:19 AM	5:44 PM
Sunday	6:19 AM	5:44 PM
Monday	6:20 AM	5:43 PM

DAY	MOONRISE	MOONSET	MOONRISE
Today	-	4:13 AM	4:14 PM
Friday	-	5:14 AM	5:02 PM
Saturday	-	6:19 AM	5:55 PM
Sunday	-	7:26 AM	6:53 PM
Monday	-	8:32 AM	7:54 PM

AROUND THE GLOBE	▲ ▼ °F	
Auckland	Showers	64° / 57°
Beijing	Light Rain	46° / 25°
Hong Kong	Partly Cloudy	84° / 73°
Honolulu	Partly Cloudy	83° / 73°
London	Cloudy	54° / 48°
Los Angeles	Partly Cloudy	76° / 57°
Manila	Cloudy	90° / 80°
Melbourne	Partly Cloudy	84° / 59°
Miami	Partly Cloudy	80° / 72°
New York	Mostly Sunny	49° / 39°
Osaka	Fair	72° / 61°
Paris	Mostly Sunny	50° / 41°
Busan	Partly Cloudy	69° / 53°
Rome	Partly Cloudy	61° / 48°
Salem	Sunny	66° / 42°
San Francisco	Partly Cloudy	58° / 50°
Seoul	Sunny	67° / 41°
Tokyo	Sunny	69° / 57°
Washington, DC	Fair	64° / 46°

TIDES: SAIPAN HARBOR TODAY	FEET	
12:05 AM	Low Tide	-0.02
06:26 AM	High Tide	1.73
12:02 PM	Low Tide	0.65
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SAIPAN- NARITA (NRT)

UA824	1:20PM	4:00PM	1, 3, 5

GUAM-MANILA (MNL)

PR 111	5:55AM	7:55AM	Daily
UA183	7:55PM	9:50PM	Daily
UA193	7:55PM	11:50PM	2, 5 via Palau

SAIPAN-MANILA (MNL)

UA076/183	9:50AM	9:50PM	Daily via Guam
UA076/193	9:50AM	11:50PM	2, 5 via Guam, Palau

SAIPAN-INCHEON (ICN)

TW308	2:30AM	6:25AM	Daily
7C3212	4:35PM	8:25PM	Daily

SAIPAN-HONG KONG (HKG)

HX77	3:05AM	5:55AM	1, 5

ARRIVALS

GUAM (GUM)-SAIPAN

UA174	8:00AM	8:50AM	Daily

NARITA (NRT)-SAIPAN

UA825	5:30PM	10:05PM	2, 4, 7

MANILA (MNL)-GUAM

UA184	00:40AM	6:25AM	3, 6
PR110	10:05PM	3:55AM+1	Daily
UA192	10:40PM	6:30AM+1	2, 5 via Palau
UA184	10:55PM	4:40AM+1	1, 3, 4, 6, 7

MANILA (MNL)-SAIPAN

UA184	00:40AM	8:50AM	3, 6 via Guam
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UA184/174	10:55PM	8:50AM +1	1, 3, 4, 6,7 via Guam
7C2306/3407	11:20PM	3:30PM+1	Daily

INCHEON (ICN)-SAIPAN

7C3211	10:10AM	3:30PM	Daily
TW307	8:00PM	1:30AM+1	Daily

HONG KONG (HKG)-SAIPAN

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SAIPAN TO ROTA

FLIGHT #	FROM	TO	DEPARTS	ARRIVES	FREQUENCY
1301	SAIPAN	ROTA	08:30	09:00	Daily
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1303	SAIPAN	ROTA	15:30	16:00	Daily

ROTA TO SAIPAN

FLIGHT #	FROM	TO	DEPARTS	ARRIVES	FREQUENCY
3101	ROTA	SAIPAN	9:30	10:00	Daily
3102	ROTA	SAIPAN	11:30	12:00	Saturday & Sunday
3103	ROTA	SAIPAN	13:30	14:00	Monday To Friday
3104	ROTA	SAIPAN	16:30	17:00	Daily

ROTA TO GUAM

FLIGHT #	FROM	TO	DEPARTS	ARRIVES	FREQUENCY
3401	ROTA	GUAM	11:30	12:00	Monday To Friday

GUAM TO ROTA

FLIGHT #	FROM	TO	DEPARTS	ARRIVES	FREQUENCY
4301	GUAM	ROTA	12:30	13:00	Monday To Friday

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1208	SAIPAN	TINIAN	16:00	16:15	Daily
1209	SAIPAN	TINIAN	17:00	17:15	Daily

TINIAN TO SAIPAN

FLIGHT #	FROM	TO	DEPARTS	ARRIVES	FREQUENCY
2101	TINIAN	SAIPAN	8:00	8:15	Daily
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2103	TINIAN	SAIPAN	9:30	9:45	Daily
2104	TINIAN	SAIPAN	10:30	10:45	Daily
2106	TINIAN	SAIPAN	14:30	14:45	Daily
2107	TINIAN	SAIPAN	15:30	15:45	Daily
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2109	TINIAN	SAIPAN	17:30	17:45	Daily

Business

Wall Street makes wagers on likely winners, losers in 2nd Trump term

NEW YORK (AP)—Wall Street is already making big bets on what take two for a White House led by Donald Trump will mean for the economy.

Since Election Day, investors have sent prices zooming for stocks of banks, fossil-fuel producers and other companies expected to benefit from Trump's preference for lower tax rates and lighter regulation. For retailers, meanwhile, the outlook is murkier because of uncertainty about whether they'll be able to absorb any of the higher costs created by tariffs.

Professional investors are warning about the risk of getting carried away by the momentum. While strong rhetoric on the campaign trail can cause these big swings, not all of the promises turn into actual policy. Plus, the broad U.S. stock market tends to move more on long-term growth in profits than anything else.

— Stan Choe

Here's a look at where Wall Street is placing its bets at the moment:

AP

Construction workers start their day as the sun rises on the new Republic Airlines headquarters building in Carmel, Ind., Aug. 27, 2024.

Technology

Technology stocks soared in Trump's first term, helped by the administration's tax policies. But the relationship was tempestuous: Trump's immigration stance threatened a source of high-skilled immigrants that comprises a significant part of the industry's work force and his trade wars threatened international sales and supply chains.

This time around, tech could benefit from an anticipated loosening of antitrust regulation that discouraged big deals from getting done and threatened to rein in the power of Google, Apple and Amazon. What's more, Trump is expected to clear the way for Big Tech to make more inroads in artificial intelligence technology — an area increasingly seen as a crucial battleground in the duel for global power between the U.S. and China.

Trump's vow to impose tariffs and other restrictions on trade does pose a potential downside for chip makers, particularly stock market darling Nvidia. A possible rollback of Biden administration efforts to boost U.S. semiconductor production also is a concern.

Still, in a sign of tech's more conciliatory attitude, Trump's election was greeted by congratulatory posts from most of the industry's luminaries, including Apple CEO Tim Cook, Amazon CEO Andy Jassy and Google CEO Sundar Pichai.

— Michael Liedtke

Retail

Trump's victory brings a big dose of uncertainty for the retail industry.

Trump has proposed extending 2017 tax cuts for individuals and restoring tax breaks for businesses that were being reduced. He also wants to further cut the corporate tax rate. Those would be tailwinds for shoppers and businesses, analysts said.

But the president-elect's trade proposals could have a huge downside. He's proposed 60% tariffs on Chinese goods and tariffs of 10% to 20% on other imports. Neil Saunders, managing director of GlobalData, a research firm, said retailers would either take a big hit on profits or be forced to increase prices.

As opposed to Trump's first term, retailers will have a harder time absorbing tariffs this time because their costs of doing business are already higher, Saunders said.

Many companies, including Nike and eyewear retailer Warby Parker, have been diversifying their sourcing away from China. Shoe brand Steve Madden says it plans to cut imports from China by as much as 45% next year.

The National Retail Federation is forecasting higher prices for U.S. shoppers if Trump's new tariffs are implemented. For example, an $80 pair of men's jeans would cost $90 to $96.

— Anne D'Innocenzio

Energy

Trump has said he wants to "drill, drill, drill" starting on Day 1 of his presidency, so it's expected that traditional fossil fuel-focused companies will get a boost and renewable energy outfits could be disadvantaged.

Oilfield services companies including Haliburton and Schlumberger would likely benefit from initiatives to expand drilling in the Gulf of Mexico and Alaska. Natural gas companies including EQT and CNX Resources could benefit from facilities and pipeline projects. Meanwhile, clean energy companies, such as First Solar and many electric vehicle makers, could have a harder time growing if Trump cuts tax credits and other incentives for the industry.

But remember Trump's first term, says Austin Pickle, investment strategy analyst at Wells Fargo Investment Institute. The thought back then, like now, was that Trump would boost prices for oil-and-gas stocks. But energy stocks ended up struggling late in his term when the price of oil briefly went below zero during the COVID-19 pandemic.

— Damian Troise

Health Care

Drugmakers, insurers and other health care companies could benefit from fewer regulatory roadblocks to mergers and a lighter regulatory stance overall.

Insurers, in particular, may see some regulatory relief for Medicare Advantage plans, which are privately run versions of the government's Medicare program mainly for people ages 65 and older. Under Democratic leadership, some insurers were facing smaller bonus payments tied to their Medicare Advantage plans. Some drugmakers are facing revenue hits on certain drugs covered by Medicare. Those challenges could abate under Republican rule, analysts at Morningstar noted.

A second Trump administration also may challenge health care companies.

The approval of drugs and vaccines could become less predictable, depending on the role anti-vaccine activist Robert F. Kennedy Jr. plays, said Morningstar analyst Karen Andersen.

Health insurers that sell coverage on the Affordable Care Act's insurance marketplaces or manage state-and-federally funded Medicaid coverage could face challenges if Republicans attempt to dismantle parts of the law, said Julie Utterback of Morningstar.

In particular, extra subsidies that help people buy marketplace coverage are slated to expire at the end of next year, which could lead to enrollment drops.

— Tom Murphy

Autos

The auto industry is another that should welcome less restrictive regulations but dread tariffs.

Trump is likely to roll back or scrap tailpipe emissions limits for 2027 through 2032 imposed by the Biden administration. Companies like General Motors, Ford and Stellantis could more easily sell larger, less-efficient vehicles without paying hefty fines.

Companies would also face less pressure to sell more electric vehicles to offset emissions from big trucks and SUVs, which make big profit margins, said Kevin Tynan, research director for The Presidio Group.

Tariffs are a different story. Trump has threatened tariffs on imported vehicles to force more production in the U.S. The threat of 100% tariffs on vehicles imported from Mexico is a big concern.

Morningstar analyst David Whiston said such tariffs could potentially cost General Motors, Stellantis and Ford billions in profits. About 30% of GM's North American production comes from Mexico, while it's 24% for Stellantis and about 15% for Ford.

Whiston notes that tariffs on vehicles built in Mexico would violate the U.S.-Mexico-Canada free trade agreement negotiated during Trump's first term. But that can be reworked in July of 2026. Whiston said those tariffs would mean higher prices and many buyers already can't afford the current average price of over $47,000.

Trump also has threatened to get rid of electric vehicle tax credits that have helped boost sales of EVs.

— Tom Krisher

Banks

Bank stocks could benefit if Trump's policies boost the U.S. economy and more customers apply for loans. In addition, Wells Fargo banking analyst Mike Mayo believes the Trump victory can usher in a "new era" of lighter financial regulation after 15 years of stricter oversight following the financial crisis of 2008-2009. Under Biden, banks were facing requirements to set aside more capital to reduce risk, but the Trump administration is likely to take a step back.

Dealmaking could see a revival under Trump, which would help banks with large investment banking operations like Morgan Stanley and Goldman Sachs. That also increases the odds the pending merger between Capital One Financial and Discover Financial gets federal clearance. Regional banks should benefit if a growing economy prompts the creation of new small businesses or the expansion of existing ones.

— Paul Harloff

Building materials and construction

Construction companies are looking at a mixed bag, with lighter regulations a plus but higher materials costs a potential minus.

Construction companies, including homebuilders KB Home and PulteGroup, could benefit from tax incentives and more friendly regulations. A surge in development could help relieve some pressure on a housing market pressured by a lack of supply for new homes. A boost in construction could also help suppliers of raw materials including steel and aggregates used in concrete.

But the potential for overall raw material price increases is a threat. Higher costs could cut into profits for construction companies and homebuilders. Steel tariffs could help shield U.S. producers from competition, but a jump in global prices as a result could negate that benefit, while also squeezing construction companies.

Plans for an immigration crackdown could worsen an existing labor shortage and result in delays for projects.

— Damian Troise

Crypto

Trump, once a crypto skeptic, has pledged to make the U.S. "the crypto capital of the planet" and create a "strategic reserve" of bitcoin. Money has poured into crypto assets since he won. Bitcoin, the largest cryptocurrency, has surged above $86,000. Shares of crypto platform Coinbase have surged more than 60% since the election.

Crypto industry players welcomed Trump's victory, in hopes that he would push through legislative and regulatory changes that they've long lobbied for. And Trump had promised that, if elected, he would remove the chair of the Securities and Exchange Commission, Gary Gensler, who has been leading the U.S. government's crackdown on the crypto industry and repeatedly called for more oversight.

— Wyatte Grantham-Phillips

Nation

Speaker Johnson: GOP 'ready to deliver' on Trump's agenda

WASHINGTON (AP)—House Speaker Mike Johnson said Tuesday that Republicans are "ready to deliver" President-elect Donald Trump's agenda after his election victory, insisting the GOP won't make the mistakes of last time and will be much better prepared for a second-term Trump White House.

Standing on the steps of the U.S. Capitol with the House GOP leadership team, the speaker said there would be no time wasted before work begins on Trump's "America First" agenda of securing the southern border, projecting strength on the world stage and ending "wokeness and radical gender ideology." He expects Republicans will lead a unified government, even though House control is still too early to call.

"We are ready to deliver on America's mandate," said Johnson.

"We will be ready day one. We are prepared this time."

With the Capitol as a backdrop, he said, "We're going to raise an 'America First' banner above this place."

Trump will meet with Johnson at the Capitol on Wednesday while the president-elect is in town for his visit to the White House, and Johnson said he will be spending the weekend with Trump at his Mar-a-Lago residence in Florida as they prepare for the new year.

Congress returned Tuesday to a changed Washington as Trump's hard-right agenda is quickly taking shape, buoyed by eager Republican allies eyeing a full sweep of power on Capitol Hill while Democrats are sorting out what went wrong.

Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer, who saw his party's control of the chamber vanquished by Republicans, said the election wasn't what many Democrats had hoped for, but he would speak with Trump soon.

"We should regard this election not merely as a defeat, but more importantly as a challenge," he said.

Even as final election results are still being tallied, the House and Senate leadership is pushing ahead toward a second-term Trump White House and what he's called a mandate for governing, with mass deportations, industry deregulation and wholesale reductions in the federal government.

Trump is already testing the norms of governance during this presidential transition period—telling the Senate to forgo its advise-and-consent role and simply allow recess appointments of his Cabinet nominees—and he is staffing his administration and finding lawmakers willing to bend those civic traditions.

"Trump's going to deliver his deportations, the drilling, the wall—it's going to take all of us getting together," said Rep. Ralph Norman, R-S.C., a conservative member of the House Freedom Caucus.

But first, the House and Senate leaders will hold internal party elections this week for their own jobs. Most of the top Republican leaders depend on Trump for their political livelihoods and have worked to draw closer to the president-elect to shore up loyalty.

Trump picks pair of advisers motivated to carry out his immigration crackdown

SAN DIEGO (AP)—Donald Trump's first picks for immigration policy jobs spent the last four years angling for this moment.

Stephen Miller and Thomas Homan had critical roles in the first Trump administration and are unapologetic defenders of its policies, which included separating thousands of parents from their children at the border to deter illegal crossings. With Trump promising sweeping action in a second term on illegal immigration, the two White House advisers will bring nuts-and-bolts knowledge, lessons from previous setbacks and personal views to help him carry out his wishes.

After Trump left office in 2021, Miller became president of America First Legal, a group that joined Republican state attorneys general to derail President Joe Biden's border policies and plans. Homan, who worked decades in immigration enforcement, founded Border 911 Foundation Inc., a group that says it fights against "a border invasion" and held its inaugural gala in April at Trump's Florida estate.

Homan "knows how the machine operates," said Ronald Vitiello, a former Border Patrol chief and acting Immigration and Customs Enforcement director under Trump. "He did it as a front line, he did it as a supervisor, and he did it as the lead executive. He doesn't have anything to learn on that side of the equation."

Miller, he said, is deeply knowledgeable, has firm ideas about how the system should work, and has Trump's confidence.

Trump has promised to stage the largest deportation operation in American history. There are an estimated 11 million people in the country illegally. Questions remain about how people in a mass raid would be identified and where they would be detained.

Miller and Homan portray illegal immigration as a black-and-white issue and applaud Trump's policy of targeting everyone living in the country without status for deportation.

Trump frequently and sharply attacked illegal immigration during his campaign, linking a record spike in unauthorized border crossings to issues ranging from drug trafficking to high housing prices. The arrival of asylum-seekers and other migrants in cities and communities around the country has strained some budgets and broadly shifted political debate over immigration to the right, with Democratic nominee Kamala Harris during her campaign reversing several of her old positions questioning immigration enforcement.

Miller, 39, is a former Capitol Hill staffer who rose to prominence as a fiery Trump speechwriter and key architect of his immigration policies from 2017 to 2021. He has long espoused doomsday scenarios of how immigration threatens America, training his rhetoric on people in the country illegally but also advocating curbs on legal immigration.

Trump, Miller said at the former president's Madison Square Garden rally last month, was fighting for "the right to live in a country where criminal gangs cannot just cross our border and rape and murder with impunity."

World

North Korea ratifies major defense treaty with Russia

SEOUL, South Korea (AP)—North Korea ratified a major defense treaty with Russia stipulating mutual military aid, the North's state media reported Tuesday, as the U.S., South Korea and Ukraine say North Korea has sent thousands of troops to Russia to support its war against Ukraine.

AP

Russian President Vladimir Putin, left, and North Korea's leader Kim Jong Un pose for a photo during a signing ceremony of the new partnership in Pyongyang, North Korea, on June 19, 2024.

Russia had completed the ratification of the treaty last week after it was signed by Russian President Vladimir Putin and North Korean leader Kim Jong Un in June. It is considered both countries' biggest defense deal since the end of the Cold War.

The Comprehensive Strategic Partnership treaty will take effect when both sides exchange documents on the ratification, the state-run Korean Central News Agency said.

North Korea ratified the treaty through a decree signed Monday by the country's president of state affairs, KCNA said, using one of Kim's titles.

North Korea's rubber-stamp parliament, the Supreme People's Assembly, has the right to ratify treaties but Kim can unilaterally ratify major ones, according to South Korea's Unification Ministry.

The treaty requires both countries to use all available means to provide immediate military assistance if either is attacked. It also calls for the two countries to actively cooperate in efforts to establish a "just and multipolar new world order" and strengthen cooperation on various sectors including peaceful atomic energy, space, food supply, trade and economy.

Some observers speculate the treaty's ratification in both countries could signal North Korea could formally enter the Russia-Ukraine war soon.

According to U.S., South Korean and Ukrainian intelligence assessments, up to 12,000 North Korean troops have been sent to Russia likely as part of the June treaty. Last week, Ukrainian officials said Ukraine and North Korean troops engaged in small-scale fighting while Ukraine's army fired artillery at North Korean soldiers in Russia's Kursk border region.

North Korea's troop dispatch threatens to escalate the almost three-year war. South Korea, the U.S. and their partners also worry about what Russia could give North Korea in return. Possible Russian transfer of sensitive technology to enhance North Korea's already-advancing nuclear and missile programs would be an alarming development for the U.S. and its allies.

North Korea and Russia have been significantly strengthening their military and other cooperation. South Korea's spy agency said last month that North Korea had sent more than 13,000 containers of artillery, missiles and other conventional arms to Russia since August 2023 to replenish its dwindling weapons stockpiles.

Israeli strikes kill 46 people in the Gaza Strip and 33 in Lebanon, medics say

DEIR AL-BALAH, Gaza Strip (AP)—Israeli airstrikes killed at least 46 people in the Gaza Strip in the past day, including 11 at a makeshift cafeteria in an Israeli-declared humanitarian zone, medics said. In Lebanon, warplanes struck Beirut's southern suburbs and killed 33 people elsewhere in the country on Tuesday.

The latest bombardment came as the United States said it would not reduce its military support for Israel after a deadline passed for allowing more humanitarian aid into Gaza. The State Department cited some progress, even as international aid groups said Israel had failed to meet the U.S. demands.

In Lebanon, large explosions shook Beirut's southern suburbs—an area known as Dahiyeh, where Hezbollah has a significant presence — soon after the Israeli military issued evacuation warnings for 11 houses there.

There was no immediate word on casualties. The Israeli military said it targeted Hezbollah infrastructure, including command centers and weapons production sites, without providing evidence.

Another Israeli strike on an apartment building east of Beirut killed at least six people. Wael Murtada said the destroyed home belonged to his uncle and that those inside had fled from the Dahiyeh last month. He said three children were among the dead and other people were missing.

An Israeli airstrike on a residential building in central Lebanon killed 15 people, including eight women and four children, and wounded at least 12 others, Lebanon's Health Ministry said. The strike came without warning, and state media said the building was sheltering displaced families.

Israel has been carrying out intensified bombardment of Lebanon since late September, vowing to cripple Hezbollah and stop more than a year of cross-border fire by the Lebanese militant group.

A rocket exploded in a storage building in the northern Israeli town of Nahariya on Tuesday, killing two people, first responders said. Another two people were wounded by shrapnel in a separate impact outside the town.

Life & Style

Britain's Queen Camilla returns to public duties after chest infection

LONDON (AP)—Britain's Queen Camilla is set to return to public duties Tuesday after missing weekend events commemorating the nation's war dead because she was recovering from a chest infection.

Camilla, 77, plans to attend a reception for the finalists in the annual Booker Prize for fiction writing, but will spend less time with guests than originally planned. She is also scheduled to attend a reception for the television and film industry, but will cut that one short too.

The queen has pulled out of an appearance at the premiere of the film "Gladiator II" on Wednesday night as doctors advise Camilla to focus on her recovery.

AP

Queen Camilla attends an ava ceremony to welcome royals at Moata village in Samoa's capital Apia, Thursday, Oct. 24, 2024.

King Charles III's spouse was advised against joining other members of the royal family at a "Festival of Remembrance" on Saturday at London's Royal Albert Hall in London and the Remembrance Sunday ceremony at the Cenotaph war memorial, a major event for Britain's royals.

The events are held every year on the weekend before Armistice Day to honor those who died serving Britain in the world wars and all the conflicts that have followed.

Apologetic rapper Tekashi 6ix9ine gets 45 days in prison for probation violations

NEW YORK (AP)—Apologetic rapper Tekashi 6ix9ine was sentenced Tuesday to 45 days in prison by a federal judge who said repeated violations of his probation after his cooperation against a violent gang won him leniency in a criminal case show that he doesn't have sufficient respect for judicial system rules.

AP

Rapper Daniel Hernandez, known as Tekashi 6ix9ine, performs during the Philipp Plein women's 2019 Spring-Summer collection, unveiled during the Fashion Week in Milan, Italy, Sept. 21, 2018.

Judge Paul A. Engelmayer ordered the additional time be spent behind bars five years after giving the performer whose real name is Daniel Hernandez a two-year prison sentence that likely would have been decades behind bars if he had not testified at trial against the violent gang known as the Nine Trey Gangsta Bloods.

The Manhattan judge said that five violations of probation rules including failing to show up for drug tests, traveling to Las Vegas from his Florida home without permission and lying to his probation officer "say to me loud and clear that you don't believe the rules apply to you."

He questioned whether Tekashi 6ix9ine, 28, thought he was above the law "maybe because you're a famous and wealthy rapper."

"But the same rules do apply to you," Englemayer said.

Before the judge announced the jail time, Tekashi 6ix9ine asked for mercy, saying he was disappointed in himself for having to face him again just a half year before his probation would have expired.

"I'm very sorry," he said. "I'm not minimizing my actions. I fully take responsibility. I let myself down. I let my family down. Give me an opportunity to clean things up."

He said he didn't want the judge to "think of me as ill mannered or I'm a bad person," and he insisted that "I don't go out of my way to break the law."

After his jail stint is finished, Tekashi 6ix9ine will be subject to a month of home incarceration, a month of home detention and a month of curfews as apart of an extension of his probation period by one year. He also will not be allowed to travel internationally and will face electronic monitoring.

European fake art network involving Banksys, Warhols, Modiglianis uncovered in Italy

ROME (AP)—Italian authorities say a network of European art forgers who painted fake Warhols, Banksys and Picassos and then tried to sell them to unsuspecting buyers with the help of complicit auction houses has been dismantled.

AP

Fake Banksy artworks that were sized by police are show in Rome in this handout image provided by the Italian Culture Ministry on Tuesday, Oct. 15, 2024.

Thirty-eight people have been placed under investigation, including six in Spain, France and Belgium. Italian authorities say the network could have done 200 million euros ($212 million) in economic damage by flooding the art market with fake works.

Italy's culture ministry said Monday the seizures in Italy, France, Spain and Belgium netted 2,100 fake works attributed to more than 30 famed artists, including Andy Warhol, Amedeo Modigliani, Banksy, Pablo Picasso, Joan Mirò, Francis Bacon, Wassily Kandinsky, Henry Moore and Gustav Klimt.

The operation uncovered a network of forgers in Spain, France and Belgium who produced the works, said Eurojust, the European Union agency for judicial cooperation. Fake Warhols and Banksys were the most commonly forged and the fakes were exhibited at shows in Mestre and Cortona, Italy, with a catalogue published, the authorities said.

Eurojust said the network was able to use complicit auction houses in Italy that issued forged certificates and stamps of authenticity, some 500 of which were also seized.

Husband is quick to dismiss wife's opinions about home

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I have three grown children, all of whom still live at home. I had always thought that once they graduated from college and got good jobs, they should start paying rent. Because my husband had to pay rent when he still lived at home, he said he would never do that to his kids.

Our oldest, "Samantha," is now 31. She has a well-paying job and drives an expensive car. She does barely anything around the house but does buy her own food and toiletries.

The other two help tremendously around the house, often without being asked. Samantha will sometimes do something, but I have to ask multiple times, and usually weeks go by before it gets done. She can't afford to move out because she has large student loan debt. Plus, why would she move when she lives rent-free and comes and goes as she pleases? Even her dog lives here for free.

My husband and I have had many discussions about this, at my prompting, and it just leads to us arguing and me feeling resentful toward him. I couldn't enforce anything without his backing because, apparently, my opinion doesn't matter, so I just stay mad and wonder why I am even here. How can I make him realize how wrong he is and finally stop our daughter from walking all over us?

FRUSTRATED IN NEW JERSEY

DEAR FRUSTRATED: Disagreements over child-rearing have destroyed marriages. Children should never be allowed to come between parents, which seems to have happened in your case. That your husband makes you feel your opinion doesn't matter is terrible. Does this disrespect spill over to aspects of your relationship other than this disagreement? At 31 (!) and gainfully employed, your daughter should have started shouldering some responsibility for herself years ago. Discuss this with a licensed mental health professional, and you may learn to become more assertive.

■■■

DEAR ABBY: I am in a relationship with a lovely man. He respects me, appreciates me and accepts me (flaws and all), and we get along really well. He's the other half of me.

Things are wonderful, except that he's been having really terrible breath lately, like a bad tooth or something. I've always been the quiet, shy type, never mentioning things that bother me (my kids' father abused me for several years), and I feel uncomfortable speaking up. But Abby, his bad breath drives me nuts. When he tries to kiss me, I give him a few pecks but feel repulsed at the unpleasant odor.

How do I address this tactfully and respectfully? I don't want to embarrass him. How do I bring this up?

PUT OFF IN MASSACHUSETTS

DEAR PUT OFF: Bring this up NOT as a criticism, but because you love and care about him. Do it not for yourself but for HIM. He may be having a problem with his teeth, his gums or his digestive system. For the sake of his general health, he should be checked out, first with his dentist and possibly later with his doctor.

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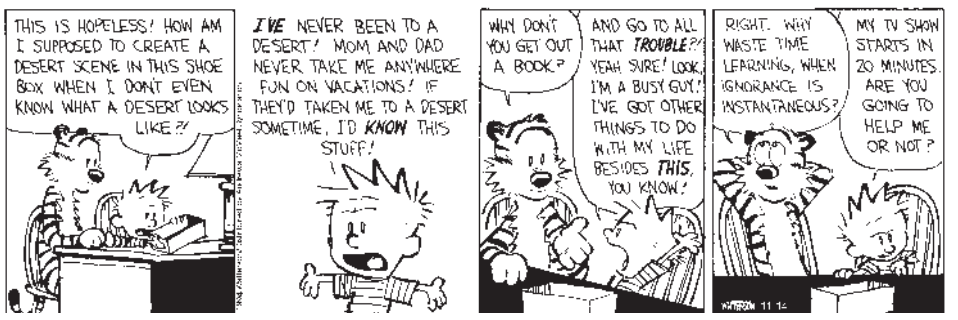
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I'VE NEVER BEEN TO A DESERT! MOM AND DAD NEVER TAKE ME ANYWHERE FUN ON VACATIONS! IF THEY'D TAKEN ME TO A DESERT SOMETIME, I'D KNOW THIS STUFF!
WHY DON'T YOU GET OUT A BOOK?
AND GO TO ALL THAT TROUBLE?! YEAH SURE! LOOK, I'M A BUSY GUY! I'VE GOT OTHER THINGS TO DO WITH MY LIFE BESIDES THIS, YOU KNOW!
RIGHT. WHY WASTE TIME LEARNING, WHEN IGNORANCE IS INSTANTANEOUS?
MY TV SHOW STARTS IN 20 MINUTES. ARE YOU GOING TO HELP ME OR NOT?

Garfield®

By Jim Davis

Adam@home

By Bryan Basset

THERE. I FINISHED MY PIECE FOR MR. BLOCK.
SEND
WELL, THAT HAS TO FEEL GOOD.
NO, NO.
NOW COME THE CONSTANT REWRITES UNTIL NONE OF MY WORDS REMAIN.
UH-OH.
RING!
TURN AWAY. I NEED TO GIRD MY LOINS.

The Duplex

By Glenn McCoy

CROSSWORD

By Eugene Sheffer

ACROSS

1 Engine sound
5 Monk's title
8 Fiscal execs
12 Jacob's twin
13 Speed (up)
14 Guesser's phrase
15 Jai —
16 Poetic tribute
17 Activist Parks
18 "Ed Wood" star Martin
20 "The Terminator" heroine Sarah
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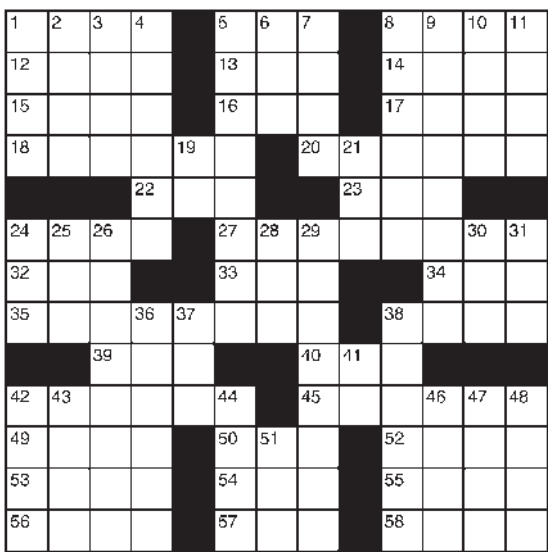

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Happy Birthday: Plan your actions carefully. Aim to keep the peace and to find innovative and positive ways to reinforce what you want to pursue or see transpire this year. A friendly demeanor and willingness to reach out and find common ground will help pave the way to a brighter future. Listen to complaints without letting emotions take over. Change is apparent and will help to transform your life. Your numbers are 5, 12, 24, 29, 33, 42, 45.

ARIES *(March 21-April 19):* Get moving. Refuse to neglect taking care of yourself. Physical activity will ease stress and boost your confidence. Listen to your inner voice and broaden your scope regarding something or someone of interest. Ask questions and trust your instincts when dealing with authority figures, institutions or legal matters. ✪✪✪

TAURUS *(April 20-May 20):* Channel your emotional energy into love, learning and lifestyle changes. Participate in events that help you recognize what's holding you back and offer insight into new possibilities. Distance yourself from anyone dictating what you can do, and refuse to let stubbornness stop you from making the right choice. ✪✪✪

GEMINI *(May 21-June 20):* Conversations will be misleading. Ask questions, research and evaluate situations before you sign up for something time-consuming or expensive. Put your efforts into fact-finding, short trips in search of answers and learning something that improves your life, mindset or direction. Take better care of yourself and your finances. ✪✪✪

CANCER *(June 21-July 22):* Do what you can to help; this will highlight your attributes and expand your friendships. Don't rely on maybes or the remote possibilities others suggest. If you want something done, it is best to do it yourself. Your effort will raise your profile and someone's interest in you. ✪✪✪✪

LEO *(July 23-Aug. 22):* Keep an open mind, listen and be direct regarding what you can and will contribute. Your power is in your willingness to share and to make a difference in the outcome of something you want to see unfold. Draw on your imagination, and you'll outmaneuver a competitive adversary. ✪✪

VIRGO *(Aug. 23-Sept. 22):* Actions speak louder than words. Take the initiative and research, and you'll discover how to use your skills to make financial gains and physical improvements. Refuse to let anyone talk you into something you don't need. Say no to temptation that's misleading, expensive and unhealthy. Learn to love yourself. ✪✪✪

LIBRA *(Sept. 23-Oct. 22):* Take a trip down memory lane, attend a reunion or reach out to someone you miss. It will spark your imagination and help you plan something that excites you. Make changes that lower your overhead or make your space user-friendly. Set a budget, stick to it and forge ahead. ✪✪✪

SCORPIO *(Oct. 23-Nov. 21):* Set a tight schedule and finish what you start. Working alone is in your best interest, and staying out of conversations with people who don't share your beliefs is favored. Choose to be creative, to recognize what's meaningful and to head in a direction that brings you joy. ✪✪✪

SAGITTARIUS *(Nov. 22-Dec. 21):* Take better care of yourself and your money. Impulse purchases will set you back. Focus on fitness and socializing with people who enrich your life by offering commonsense alternatives to what's trending. Consider what you can do without; you'll spare yourself expenses and regrets. Romance is favored. ✪✪✪✪

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CAPRICORN *(Dec. 22-Jan. 19):* Communicate to the powers that be what it is that you want. Paint a picture that piques people's interest and encourages change. It's time to run the show instead of just participating. Keep everything you do simple, moderate, feasible and purposeful, and you will harness something that's cost-efficient and effective. ✪✪✪✪

AQUARIUS *(Jan. 20-Feb. 18):* Keep your opinions to yourself to avoid conflict. Refuse to let uncertainty stop you from engaging in activities or events that can stimulate your mind. The people you encounter will challenge you to grow and to participate in something that can have a positive impact on your life. ✪✪

PISCES *(Feb. 19-March 20):* Don't get angry; get moving. Let your accomplishments speak for you. Don't lower your standards or expectations because others misbehave. Changing your environment will spark your imagination and encourage you to utilize your space efficiently. A physical change or adjustment to how you do things will pay off. 4 stars

Birthday Baby: You are unique, aware and adaptable. You are proactive and understanding.

✪: Avoid conflicts; work behind the scenes. ✪✪: You can accomplish, but don't rely on others. ✪✪✪: Focus and you'll reach your goals. ✪✪✪✪: Aim high; start new projects. ✪✪✪✪✪: Nothing can stop you; go for gold.

SUDOKU

Conceptis Sudoku *By Dave Green*

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Difficulty: ★★★ 11/14

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Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Saturday.

Yesterday's Answer

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Difficulty: ★★★ 11/13

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WONDERWORD

By DAVID OUELLET

HOW TO PLAY: All the words listed below appear in the puzzle — horizontally, vertically, diagonally and even backward. Find them, circle each letter of the word and strike it off the list. The leftover letters spell the **WONDERWORD.**

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Yesterday's Answer: Beatles

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Curry steals show in Thompson's emotional return to Chase Center

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Stephen Curry scored 37 points, including Golden State's final 12, to rally the Warriors past Klay Thompson and the Dallas Mavericks 120-117 on Tuesday night in an NBA Cup game.

Thompson finished with 22 points in an emotional return to Chase Center for the first time since he departed to join Dallas in July.

Luka Doncic started and had 31 points, eight rebounds and six assists after the team decided his left groin strain was healthy to play once he went through his warmup routine.

The Warriors gifted captain hats to fans in a tribute to Thompson's tradition of taking his boat across the bay to games. Thompson embraced Curry shortly before tipoff and his 3-pointer gave Dallas a 110-105 lead before his old Splash Brother took over.

Curry shot 14 for 27 making five 3s and added nine assists and six rebounds, also sparking a 20-3 burst to begin the third quarter.

AP

Golden State Warriors forward Draymond Green, left, hugs Dallas Mavericks guard Klay Thompson after an Emirates NBA Cup basketball game in San Francisco, Tuesday, Nov. 12, 2024.

SUNS 120, JAZZ 112

SALT LAKE CITY (AP)—Devin Booker scored 31 points and Bradley Beal added 24 to help Phoenix open NBA Cup pool play with a victory over Utah.

Grayson Allen chipped in 15 points for the Suns. Booker, Beal and Allen combined to make 13 3-pointers. Mason Plumlee finished with 15 points and 14 rebounds while starting in place of injured center Jusuf Nurkic.

John Collins led the Jazz with 29 points and 10 rebounds. Kyle Filipowski added 18 points off the bench and Lauri Markkanen chipped in 17. Jordan Clarkson finished with 16 points and a team-high eight assists.

Utah trailed by double digits much of the game but cut the deficit to 89-83 on Filipowski's dunk with 10:18 left. Beal countered with consecutive baskets to keep the Jazz from drawing closer. Royce O'Neale and Booker followed with back-to-back 3-pointers to extend Phoenix's lead to 110-98 with 3:58 remaining.

KNICKS 111, 76ERS 99

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—OG Anunoby scored 24 points and the New York Knicks spoiled 76ers star Joel Embiid's season debut, beating Philadelphia 111-99 on Tuesday night in the opener of NBA Cup group play for both teams.

Embiid finished with 13 points and 26 minutes and was unable to lift the struggling Sixers, who fell to 2-8. He shot 2 of 11 and had only three rebounds. Paul George led the Sixers with 29 points and 10 rebounds.

Josh Hart added 14 points, 12 rebounds and 10 assists for the Knicks. Karl-Anthony Towns had 21 points and 13 rebounds, while Jalen Brunson scored 18 points.

HAWKS 117, CELTICS 116

BOSTON (AP)—Onyeka Okongwu tipped in a missed shot with 6.1 seconds left, and Jaylen Brown missed a jumper at the buzzer on Tuesday night as Atlanta overcame a 15-point, second-half deficit to beat Boston in their NBA Cup opener.

Dyson Daniels scored a career-high 28 points, and Jalen Johnson had 18 points, 13 rebounds and 10 assists. Atlanta snapped a two-game losing streak despite playing without star Trae Young.

Brown scored a season-high 37 points and Derrick White added 31 for Boston as it opened the in-season tournament on a green floor with a special parquet design. The defending NBA champions had a two-game winning streak snapped and lost for just the third time this season.

MAGIC 114, HORNETS 89

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP)—Franz Wagner scored 32 points and Jalen Suggs hit his first seven shots, including three 3-pointers, to lead Orlando to a win over Charlotte.

LaMelo Ball scored 16 of his 35 points in the first quarter for the Hornets in the opening round of Group A play in the NBA Cup. Coming off a career-high 38 points in Sunday's overtime loss at Philadelphia, Ball added six rebounds and seven assists.

Suggs had 13 points in the first quarter and finished with 17 points and two steals.

Greg Williams scored 15 points and Moussa Diabate had 12 points and 15 rebounds for Charlotte.

PISTONS 123, HEAT 121, OT

DETROIT (AP)—Malik Beasley made a tiebreaking free throw with 1.1 seconds left in overtime after Miami was given a technical foul for calling a timeout when it had none left, and Detroit won in an NBA Cup game.

Tyler Herro's jumper put Miami up 121-119 with 1.8 seconds left, but after a timeout, Cade Cunningham hit Jalen Duren with an alley-oop on the inbounds pass.

The Heat then called the illegal timeout. Beasley hit the foul shot to put Detroit up 122-121, then added another free throw with 0.1 seconds left.

Beasley and Cunningham each scored 21 for the Pistons, who went 0-4 in last year's NBA Cup. Herro had 40, including 20 in the fourth quarter and overtime.

BUCKS 99, RAPTORS 85

MILWAUKEE (AP)—Giannis Antetokounmpo scored 23 points to lead Milwaukee past Toronto in an NBA Cup game between teams that entered with the two worst records in the league.

Bobby Portis added 17 points off the bench for Milwaukee (3-8). Brook Lopez scored 13 points while AJ Green and Ryan Rollins had 12 apiece.

Gradey Dick paced the Raptors (2-10) with 32 points, a career-high for the second-year player. Jakob Poeltl scored 13 points and Chris Boucher had 12.

The Bucks began to pull away midway through the third quarter and pushed their lead to 21 points early in the fourth. Toronto got within 10 points with less than five minutes remaining but did not get closer.

The Bucks were without star guard Damian Lillard, who is in the concussion protocol, while the Raptors' Immanuel Quickley sat out with an elbow injury.

TRAIL BLAZERS 122, TIMBERWOLVES 108

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP)—Robert Williams and Jerami Grant each scored 19 points to lead the Portland Trail Blazers to a 122-108 win over the Minnesota Timberwolves on Tuesday night.

Williams, who recently returned from a knee injury, also had nine rebounds and three assists.

Naz Reid led Minnesota with 28 points in the loss while star guard Anthony Edwards pitched in 26 points.

The Blazers, who entered the game as the second-worst 3-point shooting team in the NBA, shot a blistering 18 for 32 (56%) from behind the 3-point line.

The Blazers jumped out to a 28-17 lead after the first quarter, capped off by a Dalano Banton 3-pointer at the buzzer. Banton entered the game after Portland lost Anfernee Simons for the game due to a chest injury and his backup, Scoot Henderson, picked up three fouls in the first quarter.

Spoelstra laments 'horrendous mistake' after calling timeout Heat didn't have in OT loss to Pistons

DETROIT (AP)—Erik Spoelstra blamed himself for a "horrendous mistake" after calling a timeout the Miami Heat didn't have with 1.1 seconds left in overtime Tuesday night, a technical foul that gave the Detroit Pistons the tiebreaking free throw.

Malik Beasley made it and the Pistons went on to beat the Heat 123-121 on the opening night of NBA Cup play.

"I made just a serious mental error there at the end," Spoelstra said. "That's on me. I feel horrible about it."

The Heat had a 121-119 lead after Tyler Herro's basket with 1.8 seconds remaining. But after a timeout, the Pistons ran a well-executed inbounds play, with Cade Cunningham throwing a lob pass that Jalen Duren slammed down.

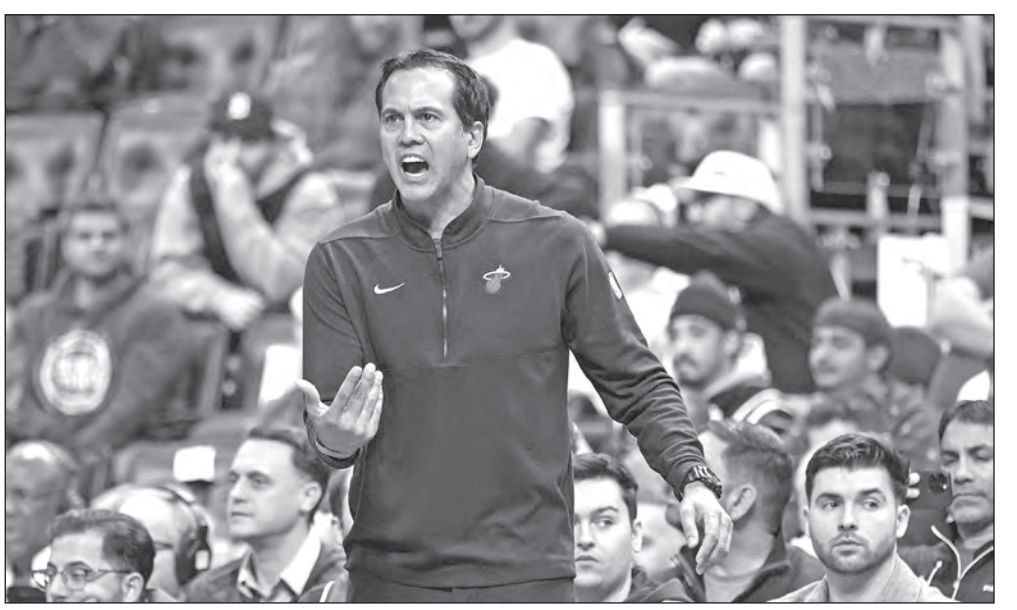
Spoelstra quickly and angrily stormed onto the court and motioned for a timeout.

"There's really no excuse for that," Spoelstra said. "I'm 17 years in. We had talked about it in the huddle, I knew that we didn't have anything. I just got emotional and reactive on that and I made just a horrendous mistake there at the end. It's a shame."

Spoelstra has won two NBA championships, was an assistant coach on the U.S. team that won an Olympic gold medal this summer, and was the overwhelming choice of executives who responded in the NBA.com GM Survey as the NBA's best coach, earning 69% of the vote.

But he made a rookie mistake Tuesday that negated a brilliant performance by Herro, who scored 40 points and made 10 3-pointers.

"You don't want it to come down to a mental error like that," Spoelstra said, before a lengthy pause. "Yeah, you would have just liked to see this go double overtime. That's the kind of game it felt like. It deserved to go double OT and not have somebody get in the way of that, and unfortunately even as a veteran coach I got in the way of that."



AP

Miami Heat head coach Erik Spoelstra yells during the first half of an Emirates NBA Cup basketball game against the Detroit Pistons, Tuesday, Nov. 12, 2024, in Detroit.

Analysis: Special teams were full of chokes in NFL's wacky Week 10

By ARNIE STAPLETON
AP Pro Football Writer

AP

Kansas City Chiefs linebacker Leo Chenal, right, and teammate Bryan Cook celebrate a 16-14 victory over the Denver Broncos following an NFL football game Sunday, Nov. 10, 2024, in Kansas City, Mo.

Special teams were chock-full of chokes in the NFL's wacky Week 10.

The 49ers muffed a punt and missed three field goals before Jake Moody's 44-yarder as time expired beat the Buccaneers 23-20.

In between his third miss and his third make, Moody was confronted on the sideline by teammate Deebo Samuel, who ended up putting his left hand on long snapper Taybor Pepper's throat and shoving him.

San Francisco coach Kyle Shanahan said he didn't see the altercation.

"Guys are frustrated, something probably happened ... brothers scuffle a little bit. I didn't see any of it, so I don't know how bad it was," Shanahan said. "It's something I'm not too worried about. We'll fix it, if it hasn't been fixed already. We'll fix it on the plane and go back to loving each other (Monday)."

Samuel said he meant no malice and was glad Moody got the shot at redemption.

So was Moody.

"I really, really wanted a chance to redeem myself," said Moody, who in his first game back after being sidelined three weeks with a sprained ankle, also was good from 28 and 33 yards but missed from 49, 50 and 44 yards.

Moody shrugged off the sideline incident involving Samuel.

"It's an emotional game. Stuff like that happens all the time. You just move past it. We won, so that's all that matters," Moody said after the defending NFC champion 49ers (5-4) won consecutive games for the first time this season.

The two-time defending Super Bowl champion Chiefs (9-0) won their 15th consecutive game since last losing a game last Christmas.

That streak was about to end Sunday when the Denver Broncos (5-5), who outplayed the Chiefs in just about every phase, including special teams, were a chip-shot field goal from their first win at Arrowhead Stadium since 2015.

After the Chiefs took their first lead of the afternoon with less than six minutes remaining, Bo Nix converted a trio of third downs to force Andy Reid to burn up his timeouts and keep Patrick Mahomes cooling his cleats on the sideline.

The Broncos reached the Kansas City 14 and Nix took a knee on the right hash mark and Denver coach Sean Payton called a timeout with 1 second remaining.

The snap was good, the hold was good and ...

Linebacker Leo Chenal, who led a wave of Kansas City defenders who burst through the left side of Denver's field goal protection unit, blocked Wil Lutz's 35-yard attempt, preserving K.C.'s stunning 16-14 win.

"It's complete shock," Chenal said after serving as the hero in the latest of so many great escapes by the Chiefs, who have won their nine games by an average of just 6.4 points. "Not much I can say about it. Glory to Jesus Christ and everything because I was really praying for something to happen.

"That moment is so heavy, there's a second on the clock and they're going to kick the field goal. You feel the weight of the moment."

And Alex Forsyth felt the weight of Chenal and several teammates as he tumbled over backward on the play. The Chiefs said they had noticed earlier in the game a weak link in Denver's protection as they nearly blocked an extra point and a 60-yard field goal attempt in the first half.

"The guy who I was rushing, he was kind of light on his toes a little bit," Chenal told Pro Football Talk.

Payton said Monday he didn't want Forsyth catching flack for failure.

"This isn't on the player," Payton insisted. "This is on all of us. This is on us as coaches. We've got to continue to look at, 'Hey, are we big enough stature-wise there for that?' And understanding how the rush was coming. It's disappointing, and yet it's not something that's new when a big play is made at the end of the game."

Payton added, "Credit them for that. They exploited an area that we obviously felt was fixed and stronger, but not fixed enough."

The Broncos blew a big chance to gain a foothold in the AFC playoff race, but they are still in the seventh and final spot trying to fend off the Cincinnati Bengals and Indianapolis Colts, who are both 4-6 and both of whom have games down the stretch against Denver.

"The sky is not falling," Payton said.

Nor are heads rolling. Just a crestfallen team trying to make corrections and move on so that the gutwrenching setback doesn't end up defining their season.

Free-falling Bears fire offensive coordinator Shane Waldron

The Chicago Bears fired offensive coordinator Shane Waldron on Tuesday, hoping to shake up a unit that ranks among the worst in the NFL.

Offensive passing game coordinator Thomas Brown was promoted to offensive coordinator.

The moves come with the Bears (4-5) mired in a three-game losing streak and the offense in a free fall after an offseason overhaul highlighted by the arrival of Caleb Williams with the No. 1 overall draft pick.

Coach Matt Eberflus said Monday that changes were coming in the wake of a 19-3 loss to New England at Soldier Field, though he wasn't ready yet to announce them. He said the decision on whether to retain his offensive coordinator would be "mine alone."

"After evaluating our entire operation, I decided that it is in the best interest of our team to move in a different direction with the leadership of our offense. This decision was well-thought-out, one that was conducted deliberately and respectfully," Eberflus said Tuesday in a statement. "I would like to thank Shane for his efforts and wish him the best moving forward.

"Thomas is a bright offensive mind who has experience calling plays with a collaborative mindset. I look forward to his leadership over our offensive coaching staff and his plan for our players," Eberflus said.

Waldron lasted just nine games. He was hired in January to replace Luke Getsy, who was let go after two seasons. Getsy was subsequently hired as the Las Vegas Raiders' offensive coordinator and fired in November.

The Bears rank 30th in the NFL in total offense and 24th in scoring. Chicago has gone without a touchdown in back-to-back games for the first time since 2004. It's been 23 consecutive possessions without a TD for the Bears since they scored in the final minute at Washington in Week 8, when they lost on a Hail Mary pass by Jayden Daniels. Williams was sacked a whopping nine times against New England, which came in tied with six other teams for the worst record in the NFL.

The offense has produced just two touchdowns in 34 drives in the three games since Chicago's bye. The Bears won three in a row prior to their off week, and Williams and the offense looked like they were finding their rhythm, even if they were doing it against struggling teams.

Williams completed 74% of his passes for 687 yards and seven touchdowns with one interception during that run. In the past three games, the 2022 Heisman Trophy winner has completed just 48 of 95 passes without a TD.

Williams has often been under siege behind an offensive line that has played poorly and been hit hard by injuries. He has also hung onto the ball too long at times, rather than check down or throw it away to avoid a sack.

Waldron, meanwhile, seemed to abandon the run in some games. He was also urged by players to coach the team harder following a loss at Indianapolis in Week 3.

The Bears then went on their winning streak and headed into their bye with a 4-2 record. They've unraveled since then, and the schedule is about to get tougher. Six of the final eight games are against the NFC North, starting with Green Bay's visit on Sunday.

The recent struggles have also turned up the heat on Eberflus, with fans chanting "Fire 'Flus!" during the New England game. Chicago is 14-29 in his 2 1/2 seasons. It's not what the Bears envisioned after going from 3-14 in 2022 to 7-10 last year.

General manager Ryan Poles gave the offense a big makeover in the offseason.

The Bears cleared the way to draft Williams by dealing Justin Fields to Pittsburgh. They made a blockbuster trade for a playmaking receiver for the second year in a row, acquiring six-time Pro Bowler Keenan Allen from the Los Angeles Chargers after sending the No. 1 pick in 2023 to Carolina for DJ Moore. Chicago got the Panthers' 2024 first-rounder in that deal for Moore and used it to take Williams.

The Bears also added running back D'Andre Swift and veteran Gerald Everett to form what looked like a potent tight end tandem with Cole Kmet. But the offense hasn't come together the way the Bears hoped. ***(AP)***

Aaron Boone bothered a little by criticism of defense after World Series meltdown

NEW YORK (AP)—Yankees manager Aaron Boone is bothered a little by criticism of his team's defense from Los Angeles Dodgers pitcher Joe Kelly and defended New York's fielding following a World Series of mistakes and mental errors.

"It's a story that blew up too much and understandably we had a really, really tough inning," he said Monday. "If you go back and look at the storyline throughout the season, I felt like there were a lot of times that we were winning games because of whether it was a big defensive play, whether it was small ball on a given day."

AP

New York Yankees manager Aaron Boone watches batting practice before Game 1 of the baseball World Series, Friday, Oct. 25, 2024, in Los Angeles.

Boone spoke during a Zoom news conference, three days after the Yankees exercised his 2025 option.

New York wasted a five-run lead in Game 5 of the World Series when center fielder Aaron Judge and shortstop Anthony Volpe made errors and pitcher Gerrit Cole failed to cover first on an infield grounder. The Dodgers won 7-6 to capture the title.

"The sting of not finishing it off stays with you forever," Boone said.

Kelly said on his " Baseball Isn't Boring" podcast the Dodgers entered each game saying: "Just let them throw the ball into the infield. They can't make a play."

"We didn't play as well as we could've," Boone said. "And obviously especially had a tough inning in Game 5, so that's the ultimate disappointment. I try never to get too caught up into what other people are saying or doing, especially when it comes from certain places. Everyone's going to have their opinions and be entitled to things. Certainly, I am very proud of what we do as a group. Obviously, there's always areas to to get better."

Boone has led the Yankees to a 603-429 record, three AL East titles and one pennant. He agreed in October 2021 to a three-year contract that included a team option for 2025. He said the sides haven't talked yet about a deal for beyond next season.

"We'll see what unfolds but either way I'm prepared and ready to go and excited for 2025," he said.

Boone will fly to California to join owner Hal Steinbrenner for a meeting with Juan Soto, who helped the Yankees reach the World Series for the first time since 2009 and then became a free agent. The 26-year-old hit .288 with 41 homers, 109 RBIs and 129 walks, batting second in the order, followed by Judge.

Dodgers great Fernando Valenzuela died of septic shock, medical examiner says

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Fernando Valenzuela, the Los Angeles Dodgers pitching ace who helped the team win the 1981 World Series, died of septic shock last month, according to his death certificate.

TMZ Sports obtained the document on Tuesday. Valenzuela died on Oct. 22 at age 63, a few weeks after stepping away from his job on the Dodgers' Spanish-language television broadcast and days before the Dodgers began their run to the team's eighth World Series championship. No cause of death was provided at the time.

The Los Angeles County Medical Examiner's office listed septic shock as the immediate cause of death. It is a life-threatening condition that occurs when organs malfunction, leading to dangerously low blood pressure. Each year, at least 350,000 people in the U.S. die of the condition, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

The medical examiner listed decompensated alcoholic cirrhosis and nonalcoholic steatohepatitis cirrhosis as underlying causes. Also listed as a significant condition contributing to Valenzuela's death was "probable" Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease, a rapidly progressive brain disorder.

The document also shows Valenzuela was cremated. A public Mass was held last week at Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels in downtown Los Angeles.

AP

Fernando Valenzuela's sons, Fernando Valenzuela Jr., left, and Ricardo Valenzuela, far right, help guide Los Angeles Dodgers pitcher Fernando Valenzuela's casket into the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels for a public funeral mass in Los Angeles Wednesday, Nov. 6, 2024.

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supporters and a sea of red Docomo supporters cheered on their favored teams loudly with each point scored. But, despite Docomo losing the battle early on, Docomo's bleachers were still as loud as ever.

As the game went on though, IT&E's bleachers became as deafening as the commanding lead that IT&E held over Docomo throughout the game.

IT&E's better ball-handling and seamless chemistry held the team together and allowed them to dominate the court. Daniel Madreo, Jhon Ryan Singca, and Ervin Villarin were a terrifying triad that even Docomo's most skilled players could not handle.

Shane Deleon Guerrero was a one-man shooting machine who could not soften the blow of Docomo's downfall as he could only do so much to carry his team. Anthony Diaz assisted with some baskets, but the speedier and more light on their feet IT&E team quickly assembled it to become a lopsided game.

After the first half, IT&E enjoyed a 53-32 lead. The gap only widened from there as Docomo players gassed out and could not keep up with IT&E's faster pace.

In the end, Madreo had a game-high 37 markers, while Singca put up 24 points, and Villarin scored 18. Meanwhile, Deleon Guerrero led Docomo with 34 points, while Diaz contributed 15.

With this win, IT&E is undefeated with three victories, while Docomo have yet to win a game.

In the other game that night, CPA left Priority Care lifeless, 78-64.

Last Tuesday, DFEMS lit up CUC, 48-43, and CHCC stopped Docomo, 73-62.

IT&E 104 – Madreo 37, J. Singca 24, Villarin 18, De Guzman 5, R. Singca 5, Rivera 5, Torres 3, Cruz 2, Jose 2, Vismanos 2.

Docomo Pacific 62 – Deleon Guerrero 34, Diaz 15, Johnson 5, P. Lizama Jr. 4, R. Lizama 2, P. Lizama 2.

Scoring by quarters: 32-14, 53-32, 82-52, 104-62.

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mixed doubles 4.0 division.

In the oldest division, the men's doubles 50, Roy Barnados and George Poquiz upset No. 1 seed Bong Gamab and his partner Ronnie Lacbayo, 6-2, 6-4.

The women's doubles 3.0 champions were Amy Eun Ho Park and Jenna Pascual after they beat Hua Jin and Ming Pascual, 6-3, 6-1.

In the women's doubles 4.0, Tisha Ferrer and Paano defeated Yuko Kumada and Harumi Suzuki, 7-5, 7-5.

Lim and Joe Quitugua made light work of Joel Fernandez and Anand Katta, 6-1, 6-4, in the men's doubles 3.0 division.

Ryan Cho and Salvador Garrote edged Ronnie Decena and Art Lopez 6-4, 6-1, in the men's doubles 40.

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Some participants of the 14th Tan Holdings Tennis Classic 2024 pose for a group photo with their awards during the awards ceremony of the 14th Tan Holdings Tennis Classic 2024 last Sunday at the Crowne Plaza Resort Saipan.

In the men's doubles 4.0, Gamab and Lacbayo edged Casauran and Jacinto, 6-3, 7-5.

And in the men's doubles 5.0 division, men's singles 5.0 champion Colin Ramsey teamed up with runner-up Tomas Abel and won, 6-2, 6-1, over Wessel and June Yu.

Sponsors of the event were ASC Trust, Mobil, D&Q Distributors, Quality Distributors, Tan Siu Lin Foundation, Crowne Plaza Resort Saipan, National Park Service, AMS, iShop, Century Insurance, CTSI Logistics, TakeCare, and TBC.

The classic had a yearlong hiatus due to the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020 and made a return in 2021.

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Daniel Huang, Lucas Yang, Scott Li, and Scott Shi.

The final round-robin day of games is on Saturday, Nov. 16. The Top 6 double-elimination round is on Nov. 23, with the championship rounds on Nov. 29.

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	9	3	.750	–
New York	5	5	.500	3
Brooklyn	5	6	.455	3½
Philadelphia	2	8	.200	6
Toronto	2	10	.167	7
Southeast Division				
Orlando	6	6	.500	–
Atlanta	5	7	.417	1
Miami	4	6	.400	1
Charlotte	4	7	.364	1½
Washington	2	7	.222	2½
Central Division				
Cleveland	12	0	1.000	–
Indiana	5	5	.500	6
Detroit	5	7	.417	7
Chicago	4	7	.364	7½
Milwaukee	3	8	.273	8½
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Southwest Division				
Houston	7	4	.636	–
Memphis	7	4	.636	–
Dallas	5	6	.455	2
San Antonio	5	6	.455	2
New Orleans	3	8	.273	4
Northwest Division				
Oklahoma City	9	2	.818	–
Denver	7	3	.700	1½
Minnesota	6	5	.545	3
Portland	4	8	.333	5½
Utah	2	8	.200	6½
Pacific Division				
Phoenix	9	2	.818	–
Golden State	9	2	.818	–
L.A. Lakers	6	4	.600	2½
L.A. Clippers	6	5	.545	3
Sacramento	6	5	.545	3

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IT&E disconnects Docomo, 104-62

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IT&E moved with lightning speed, disconnecting Docomo in a blowout 104-62 game, proving that they weren't better together this time around in the 2nd Annual R&J Wine and Liquor Inter-Gov't/ Business League 2024 last Monday in a raucous Gilbert C. Ada Gymnasium.

The rivalry between the CNMI's only two network providers was heated from the get-go as a sea of blue IT&E

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IT&E's Daniel Madreo curls a pass under the basket to a teammate during their game against Docomo in the 2nd Annual R&J Wine and Liquor Inter-Gov't/Business League 2024 last Monday in a raucous Gilbert C. Ada Gymnasium.

Agape fires thru Bracket 1 and 2 in co-ed tourney

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An Agape Christian School player reaches for a return during a match in the 2024-2025 PSS-NMBA Interscholastic Co-ed Middle School Badminton League last Saturday at the Gilbert C. Ada Gymnasium.

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Agape Christian School Torchbearers used their firepower to land on top of Bracket 1 and 2 in the 2024-2025 PSS-NMBA Interscholastic Co-ed Middle School Badminton League last Saturday at the Gilbert C. Ada Gymnasium.

After three days of round-robin matches, the Torchbearers 2 leads Bracket 1 with 14 points and wins to pull ahead of Saipan International School Geckos 1 who are at 13 points. Tinian Jr. High School Stallions galloped to third place with 10 points; Hopwood Middle School Hilitais 2 are right behind at nine; Saipan Community School Guardians are at five; and Dandan Middle School Tottots 1 are at four points.

ACS swept both of their matches against DMS and TJHS. The Torchbearers blazed through the boys/girls singles, boys/girls doubles, and mixed doubles for five points in both games with a total of 10 points for the day.

The Torchbearers 1 also lead Bracket 2 with 14 points. Grace Christian Academy Eagles 1 are a point behind at 13; SIS 2 is third at eight; HMS 1 are at five; and Chacha Ocean View Middle School Lancherus have yet to win at zero points.

ACS continued their dominance as they swept their matches against COVMS and HMS 1. The Torchbearers were on fire as they collected wins in the boys/girls singles, boys/girls doubles, and mixed doubles for five points in both games with a total of 10 points for the day.

ACS 1 consists of Elim Luo, Rebecca Wu, Andy Chen, Benjamin Cai, Tom Chen, and team 2 is made up of Tina Hu, Angel Hu,

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Anne, Nason are mixed doubles champs

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Junior netters Anne Lee and Nason Wessel teamed up and became powerhouse doubles partners that won the mixed doubles 5.0 division title in the conclusion of the two-weekend 14th Tan Holdings Tennis Classic 2024 last Sunday at the Crowne Plaza Resort Saipan tennis courts.

In Week 1 of the tourney, Lee was the girls 18 division champion and took that momentum and drive into Week 2.

The No. 2 seed Lee and Wessel, challenged formidable foes No. 1 seed Tania Tan and her partner, Heimanarii Lai San, and upset them after three sets fought to the death.

It was a matchup that had everyone watching with bated breath as it was a tug-of-war with the points in each set. The first set advantage went to Tan and Lai San, but it was a struggle until the end as they won in extra points, 7-6.

Then, Lee and Wessel turned things around in the second as they mirrored the first set—this time in their favor, 7-6.

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Mixed doubles 5.0 division champions Anne Lee, second right, and partner Nason Wessel, far right, pose with runners-up Tania Tan, far left, and Heimanarii Lai San during the awards ceremony of the 14th Tan Holdings Tennis Classic 2024 last Sunday at the Crowne Plaza Resort Saipan.

The tie-breaking third set saw both duos giving it their all, as the mixed doubles title hung in the balance. The young netters showed that they could keep up with the more experienced Tan and Lai San and forced extra points yet again. After much back-and-forth, Lee and Wessel held down the two points needed to win, 12-10.

Lee said of the competition overall, "The competition was great, and I got to meet new challenges along [the] way, but I managed to get through them." In the mixed doubles finals, she said she and Wessel strategized well during the game and supported each other until "eventually made our way through to first place in the doubles."

As for the conditions, she said, "The weather was sunny with clouds, making the play not too hot.

With the finals win, she said, "It felt great winning and the feeling of the award in my grasp, and thankful for Nason for partnering up with me and making our way through the tourney."

She added, "The tourney, overall, was great. I got to meet new and old faces in the tourney and got to challenge myself by going in the BS18 and MS5, even though I lost."

In the mixed doubles 3.0 division finals, youngsters No. 2 seed Jenna Pascual and partner Cody Park won a close matchup against Enoch Lim and Min Han, 7-6, 7-6.

The women's doubles 2.0 title was won by the pair of Anarin Abad and Wilanie Temporal, 6-0, 6-2, over Wei Tang and Shui Wang.

No. 2 Judy Eun Gung Jung partnered up with J.R. Jacinto and took down the couple Jocelyn Paano and John Kenneth Casauran, 7-6, 6-2, for the

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